
Indications of CP Violation in the Lepton Sector from a Combined Analysis of Neutrino and Antineutrino Data in the T2K Experiment



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Abstract

The T2K long baseline experiment studies neutrino oscillations over a distance of 295 km, by observation of the flavour change in a ν_μ or $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ beam starting at J-PARC travelling to the 50 kt water Cherenkov detector, Super-Kamiokande. The beam can be run in either neutrino or antineutrino mode and operates with a peak energy of 0.6 GeV. The ratio of baseline to energy was designed for optimal sensitivity to oscillations at the atmospheric neutrino mass squared splitting. The beam composition is also determined 280 m from the production target and in combination with far detector the flavour change in the beam can be determined.

This thesis consists of an analysis of data from neutrino mode and antineutrino mode and the ν_e appearance, and ν_μ disappearance channels, performed using a hybrid frequentist-bayesian approach, for three active neutrino flavour oscillations in constant-density matter. Data is used from the T2K Run 1-8 which corresponds to an integrated neutrino beam exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT in FHC mode and 7.558×10^{20} POT in RHC mode. The four oscillation parameters $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$, $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$, $|\Delta m_{32}^2|(\Delta m_{13}^2)$, and δ_{CP} for Normal Hierarchy (Inverted Hierarchy) are determined by a joint fit of the energy spectra for muon-like samples, and energy vs lepton angle spectra for the electron-like samples at Super-Kamiokande. The 1σ intervals for each of the parameters are, with the confidence intervals for δ_{CP} extracted using the constant $\Delta\chi^2$ method and T2K data only

$$\begin{aligned}\delta_{\text{CP}} &= -2.083^{+0.932}_{-0.889} \quad (-1.157^{+0.754}_{-0.808}) \\ \sin^2 \theta_{13} &= 0.0277^{+0.0053}_{-0.0047} \quad (0.0331^{+0.0047}_{-0.0065}) \\ \sin^2 \theta_{23} &= 0.530^{+0.031}_{-0.037} \quad (0.530^{+0.029}_{-0.034}) \\ |\Delta m_{32}^2|(\Delta m_{13}^2) &= [2.462^{+0.057}_{-0.055} \quad (2.436^{+0.055}_{-0.053})] \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2.\end{aligned}$$

Using the most precise available measurements, $[3\sigma]$ range, of $\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.0215 [0.0190 - 0.0240]$ ($0.0216 [0.0190 - 0.0242]$), determined by reactor experiments, ranges for the value of δ_{CP} can be determined using the Feldman-Cousins method and are shown below including an exclusion of the CP conserving values of 0 and π ,

$$\begin{aligned}[-2.805, -0.830] &\quad 90\% \text{CL} \\ [-2.981, -0.600] &([-1.531, -1.184]) \quad 2\sigma.\end{aligned}$$

Declaration

Chapter 2 is a description of the theoretical background and experimental results in the field. This is constructed from the available literature on the topic. Chapter 3 describes the elements which compose the T2K experiment which is the source of the data analysed. Both internally and externally published documents are the source of the information in this chapter. Chapter 4 describes how the data which is used as input to my analysis was developed and validated by the T2K collaboration. Chapter 5 is a physics analysis that is my original work which uses information of chapter 4 as input. The “VALOR” analysis group was the environment in which the work was performed and was actively developed by myself, Costas Andreopolous, Andrew Chappell, Thomas Dealtry, Steve Dennis, Davide Sgalaberna, and Raj Shah.

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Abbreviations

2p2h two particle two hole.

BANFF Beam And Near Detector Task Force.

BDT Boosted Decision Tree.

BeRPA Bernstein RPA.

C ν B Cosmic Neutrino Background.

CC Charged Current.

CCQE Charged Current Quasi-Elastic.

Λ CDM Lambda Cold Dark Matter.

CERN European Organization for Nuclear Research, Conseil Européen pour la Recherche Nucléaire.

C.L. Confidence Level.

CUORE Cryogenic Underground Observatory for Rare Events.

CUORE-0 Cryogenic Underground Observatory for Rare Events-0.

CUORICINO CUORICINO.

CVN Convolutional Visual Network.

DIS Deep Inelastic Scattering.

DOM Digital Optical Module.

DUNE Deep Underground Neutrino Experiment.

ECal Electromagnetic Calorimeter.

- ERPA** Effective RPA.
- ES** Elastic Scattering.
- EXO-200** Enriched Xenon Observatory-200.
- FGD** Fine Grained Detector.
- FHC** Forward Horn Current.
- FSI** Final State Interactions.
- GERDA** GERmanium Detector Array.
- GLoBES** General Long Baseline Experiment Simulator.
- Hyper-K** Hyper-Kamiokande.
- INGRID** Interactive Neutrino GRID.
- IO** Inverted Ordering.
- J-PARC** Japan Proton Accelerator Research Centre.
- KamLAND** Kamioka Liquid scintillator Anti-Neutrino Detector.
- KATRIN** Karlsruhe Tritium Neutrino Experiment.
- LINAC** Linear Accelerator.
- LMPD** Low Momentum Particle Detector.
- LSND** Liquid Scintillator Neutrino Detector.
- MaCh3** MaCh3 Oscillation Analysis Framework.
- MAJORANA** MAJORANA.

MEC Meson Exchange Current.

MiniBooNE Mini Booster Neutrino Experiment.

MINOS Main Injector Neutrino Oscillation Search.

MPPC Multi Pixel Photon Counter.

MR Main Ring.

MSW Mikheyev Smirnov Wolfenstein.

MUMON Muon Monitor.

NA61/SHINE SPS Heavy Ion and Neutrino Experiment.

NC Neutral Current.

ND Near Detector.

ND280 Near Detector (at) 280m.

NN Nucleon-Nucleon.

NO Normal Ordering.

NO ν A NuMI Off-axis ν_e Appearance.

PDG Particle Data Group.

PINGU Precision IceCube Next Generation Upgrade.

PMNS Pontecorvo Maki Nakagawa Sakata.

PMT Photomultiplier Tube.

POT Protons On Target.

PSD Particle Spectator Detector.

RCS Rapid-Cycling Synchrotron.

RENO Reactor Experiment for Neutrino Oscillation.

RHC Reverse Horn Current.

RPA Random Phase Approximation.

SBN Short-Baseline Neutrino.

SI Secondary Interactions.

SMRD Side Muon Range Detector.

Super-K Super-Kamiokande.

T2K Tokai to Kamioka.

ToF time of flight.

TPC Time Projection Chamber.

VALOR VALOR Oscillation Analysis Framework.

1 Introduction

The neutrino, a weakly interacting neutral particle of spin $1/2$, which forms a part of the Standard Model of Particle Physics, has been a source of several surprises. The Standard Model has been very successful at describing nature, predicting: the W and Z gauge bosons, gluons, top and charm quarks, and the Higgs boson. There are also several areas where the Standard Model does not fully describe nature. In the Standard Model neutrinos are massless, however neutrino oscillation experiments have shown at least two neutrino states must be massive. The Standard Model also does not explain the observed \mathcal{CP} violation in cosmology, with most of the universe observed as matter and requiring a set of three conditions to generate this asymmetry. Some details of neutrino interactions, mass, and probing \mathcal{CP} violation in the lepton sector are presented in chapter 2.

This thesis analyses data collected by the T2K long baseline neutrino oscillation experiment. The T2K experiment probes the neutrinos oscillation parameters, and better characterises neutrino cross sections, by measurements of neutrino interactions induced by an accelerator produced ν_μ or $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ beam, depending on running mode. The neutrino beam is generated at J-PARC, by focussing the hadrons resulting from the collision of a proton beam with a graphite target. A set of detectors located 280 m from the target, both on and off the beam axis, measure beam interactions. At a distance of 295 km downstream, the Super-K 50 kt water Cherenkov detector makes the final set of beam interaction measurements. The details of the T2K experiment are outlined in chapter 3.

The oscillation analysis that is described in this thesis depends on a set of inputs which are generated by the T2K experiment. A description of these inputs is made in chapter 4, and are made up of flux, cross section and detector central values along with systematics and constraints. These values are modelled at T2K, and a constraint that is propagated to the prediction of the spectra at the far detector is generated using near detector data. This constraint provides tuned central values of flux and cross section parameters in conjunction with their covariance matrix. The beam flux model is tuned using external hadron production data, from the NA61/SHINE experiment at CERN. The cross section central values and uncertainties are tuned using external data with the FSI model used at both the near and far detectors. Systematic uncertainties at Super-K are evaluated using cosmic data. A description is made of how the data events for each sample are selected at Super-K, which are subsequently fit in the analysis.

The analysis in this thesis, presented in chapter 5, is composed of data from the transitions $\bar{\nu}_\mu^{(-)} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu^{(-)}$ and $\bar{\nu}_e^{(-)} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e^{(-)}$, and shows for the first time an exclusion of the \mathcal{CP} conserving

values $0, \pi$ at 2σ . The analysis is carried out in the framework of three flavour oscillations in constant density matter, and a hybrid bayesian-frequentist approach is used to fit the parameters, where nuisance parameters are marginalised instead of profiled. Energy, and energy vs lepton angle spectra are fit, and confidence intervals are built using a $\Delta\chi^2$ method or the Feldman-Cousins method. A discussion of the implications of these results is presented in chapter 6 along with a description of future prospects in neutrino physics.

2 Neutrino Physics

2.1 Neutrinos in the Standard Model

The Standard Model of particle physics is a quantum field theory which describes the known interactions between particles excluding the gravitational force. The standard model is a gauge theory based on a local symmetry group $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$, where the first symmetry group, C corresponds to colour, L is for left-handed chirality, and Y is weak hypercharge. The colour charge of a fermion determines whether they participate in strong interactions and form hadrons, quarks have color charge and leptons do not. The symmetry group $SU(2)_L \times U(1)_Y$ determines the interactions of leptons and hence neutrinos. The observation of neutrino oscillations is evidence of physics beyond the standard model, and requires a mechanism for generating their mass. Two possible natures of the neutrino, Dirac or Majorana, lead to different consequences for neutrino mass.

2.1.1 Weak Interaction

Since leptons have no colour and neutrinos have no charge they only participate in the weak interaction, (which is somewhat of a misnomer, although it appears *weaker* than the other forces it is just short ranged) this means that they only couple to either the W^\pm or Z^0 bosons. Both W and Z bosons are very massive, with masses of ~ 80 GeV and ~ 91 GeV respectively, unlike the massless photon and gluon which mediate the electromagnetic and strong forces. As neutrinos only couple to the weak force they have very a small interaction cross section see section 2.2.3. Since the interaction rate is dependent on the cross section, flux, and target density, neutrino experiments seek to maximise the flux of particles and the target mass available for interaction. The charged W^\pm bosons lead to interactions which are called CC and the neutral Z boson, leads to NC processes, these are further discussed in section 2.2.3. Both CC and NC interactions conserve lepton flavour with CC interactions producing the corresponding charged lepton, whilst neutral current processes are blind to the flavour of the incoming neutrino and only produce charged particles indirectly. In the Charged Current Quasi-Elastic (CCQE) interaction mode a neutrino scatters from a nucleon converting the nucleon and producing a charged lepton. CCQE events will form the bulk of the analysed signal mode for this thesis. A charged current mode with the production of a single positively charged pion from an electron neutrino interaction CC $1 \pi^+$ makes up a smaller part of the signal.

2.2 Neutrino Interaction Lagrangian

Without modification the Standard Model of particle physics includes a charged-current (CC) interaction Lagrangian, $\mathcal{L}^{(CC)}$, of the form

$$\mathcal{L}^{(CC)} = -\frac{g}{\sqrt{2}} \sum_{\substack{\alpha=e,\mu,\tau \\ i=1,2,3}} \left(\bar{\ell}_{L\alpha} \gamma^\lambda U_{\alpha i} \nu_{L\alpha} W_\lambda^- + \bar{\nu}_{Li} \gamma^\lambda U_{\alpha i}^* \ell_{L\alpha} W_\lambda^+ \right), \quad (2.1)$$

where g is the semi-weak coupling constant, neutrino and lepton fields of flavour α , are ν_α and ℓ_α respectively, $\ell_{L\alpha} = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma^5)\ell_\alpha$, the left handed chiral projections of ℓ_α and ν_α , and W_λ^\pm the W boson fields, and γ^λ are the gamma matrices. Mixing between neutrino flavours which will be discussed in section 2.4 in detail is included in the term $U_{\alpha i}$ the Pontecorvo Maki Nakagawa Sakata (PMNS) matrix element. The NC interaction Lagrangian $\mathcal{L}^{(NC)}$ is,

$$\mathcal{L}^{(NC)} = -\frac{g}{2 \cos \theta_W} \sum_{i=1,2,3} \left(\bar{\nu}_{Li} \gamma^\lambda \nu_{Li} Z_\lambda^0 \right), \quad (2.2)$$

where θ_W is the weak mixing or Weinberg angle and Z_λ is the Z boson field. Combining the above Lagrangians with a Dirac mass term (which requires both handed neutrinos, and therefore an extension of the Standard Model), neutrino interactions within the Standard model are fully described.

$$\mathcal{L} \supset \sum_{i=1,2,3} \left[i \bar{\nu}_i \not{\partial} \nu_i - m_i \bar{\nu}_i \nu_i \right] + \mathcal{L}^{(NC)} + \mathcal{L}^{(CC)} \quad (2.3)$$

where $\not{\partial} = \gamma^\lambda \partial_\lambda$. The mass term considered in eq. (2.3) is the Dirac term which is discussed in section 2.3.

2.2.1 Helicity and Chirality

The handedness of a particle is a vital component of the Standard Model, as the weak interaction only couples to particles of one handedness. The related concepts of helicity and chirality are used to determine a particle's handedness. The parity operator \mathcal{P} , takes the spatial components of a four vector x^μ to $\vec{x} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{P}} -\vec{x}$, but in the case of axial-vectors (or pseudovectors) which are of the form, $\vec{c} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$, the parity transformation leaves the vector unchanged $\vec{c} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{P}} \vec{c}$.

The helicity of a particle is defined as the dot product of the particle's spin and its momentum. In the case of massless particles this is well defined in all frames, however for massive particles a Lorentz boosted frame can be found in which the helicity of the particle is reversed, to deal with this situation we introduce the related concept of chirality. To do this we decompose the particle's Dirac spinor, ϕ , into left and right handed

components by applying Lorentz invariant operators which project these components.

$$\chi_L = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \gamma^5) ; \chi_R = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \gamma^5) \quad (2.4)$$

here γ^5 is defined as $i\gamma^0\gamma^1\gamma^2\gamma^3$ where the γ matrices are those used in the Dirac equation [1]. Using these operators we can see $\phi = \phi_R + \phi_L$, using the additional properties that $\{\gamma^\mu, \gamma^5\} = 0$ and that, $\gamma^{5\dagger} = \gamma^5$, we can derive

$$\bar{\phi}_L\phi_L = \bar{\phi}_R\phi_R = 0. \quad (2.5)$$

This allows the construction of a Dirac mass term for a chiral state, which is complicated by the fact that ν_R and $\bar{\nu}_L$ have not be observed.

2.2.2 V-A form of Weak Interaction

The condition that any matrix element in the Standard Model must be Lorentz invariant limits the number of possible forms of the interaction vertex. Taking these limitations into consideration there are only 5 allowed combinations of 2 spinors and gamma matrices which form invariant currents. These five categories are classified according to the rank of the tensor and how they transform under the parity operator. In section 2.1.1 the axial vector remained the same under parity transformation as do scalars, whilst pseudoscalars and vectors change sign.

An experiment to determine the helicity of the neutrino [2] observed that all neutrinos were left handed. The previous observation requires a combination of vector and axial vector terms, $V - A = \gamma^\mu(1 - \gamma^5)$, whose form maximally violates symmetry under charge conjugation. The terms in the Lagrangians for neutrinos can be found in eq. (2.1) for the charged current and eq. (2.2) for the neutral currents. The form of the weak neutral current contains vector (g_V^f) and axial vector (g_A^f) terms for interactions with each of the fermions, f , with $g_V^f V - g_A^f A$ and for the case of the neutrinos $g_V^\nu = g_A^\nu = \frac{1}{2}$.

2.2.3 Interaction channels

Observation of neutrino interactions requires the production of a charged particle either directly or as the result of a capture mechanism. A review of neutrino interactions across energy scales can be found in [3]. There are several different modes by which a charged particle can be produced at the energies that are covered by the T2K flux which are discussed in more detail in section 4.2. Each of these processes has an associated cross section which is required in order to predict the expected interaction rate for a particular neutrino flux. The neutrino nucleus interaction kinematics are described by the invariant

amplitude \mathcal{M} , and the cross section is this quantity squared

$$|\overline{\mathcal{M}}|^2 = 4G_F^2 L_{\mu\nu} W^{\mu\nu}, \quad (2.6)$$

where G_F is the Fermi constant, $L_{\mu\nu}$ is the leptonic tensor, and $W^{\mu\nu}$ is the hadronic tensor. The Standard Model can make precise predictions of $W^{\mu\nu}$ for quarks, however, neutrino interactions as considered in this thesis are on nucleons, which are gluon bound structures of valence quarks and also contain sea quarks, which are bound in nuclei. The nucleon structure complicates the picture so that $W^{\mu\nu}$ is not known.

The most general form of the hadronic tensor for neutrino nucleus scattering is described by [4]

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2M} W^{\mu\nu} = & -W_1 g^{\mu\nu} + W_2 \frac{p^\mu p^\nu}{M^2} + W_4 \frac{q^\mu q^\nu}{M^2} + W_5 \frac{p^\mu q^\mu + q^\mu p^\nu}{2M^2} \\ & - iW_3 \epsilon^{\mu\nu\alpha\beta} \frac{p_\alpha q_\beta}{2M^2} + W_6 \frac{p^\mu q^\mu - q^\mu p^\nu}{2M^2}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.7)$$

the W_i for $i = 1, 2, \dots, 6$ are structure functions which parameterise our ignorance of the nucleon structure, and need to be determined experimentally. The binding of nucleons within the nucleus also introduces the additional effects of Fermi motion, due to the positional confinement of the nucleons within the nucleus. Nuclear binding of the nucleons also introduces effects from the uncertainty in the nucleons momentum, and nucleon-nucleon correlations. Reinteractions within the nuclear medium of the hadrons resulting from the primary interaction can also occur, these are termed final state interactions (FSI) in the literature. These have a particularly significant effect where the neutrino energy is of the order of a few GeV, and make determination of the true topology difficult or impossible and will bias neutrino energy reconstruction. These effects examined in greater detail in section 4.2.

In ascending energy the interaction modes are, charged current quasi-elastic interactions (CCQE), the neutrino interacts with a nucleon, and leaves it in the ground state. In resonant interactions (RES) the neutrino excites the nucleon into a resonant state, which typically then decays to a state with a nucleon and a pion in the final state, but many other decays are possible. Pions can also be produced coherently, in this process the interaction is on the whole nucleus which stays in its ground state without much energy transfer. This results in a forward scattered pion. Going to higher energies the neutrino can interact with a single quark and cause a hadronic shower from the final state quark in deep inelastic scattering (DIS). There are also neutral current versions of the processes discussed, where a final state pion is not observed. Plots of the CC inclusive cross section which includes all the previously discussed interaction modes are shown in fig. 2.1.

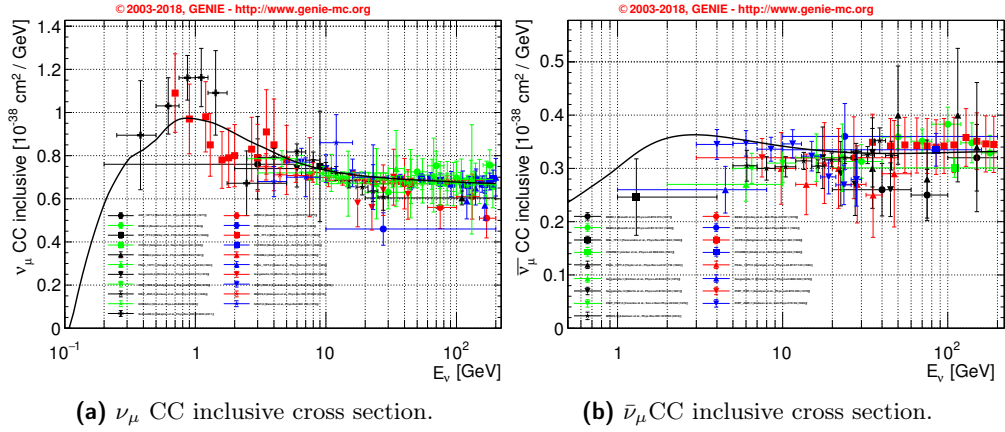


Figure 2.1: Neutrino (a), and antineutrino (b), CC inclusive cross section as a function of the neutrino energy per target nucleon. The prediction is provided by the GENIE neutrino MC generator [5].

2.3 Neutrino Mass

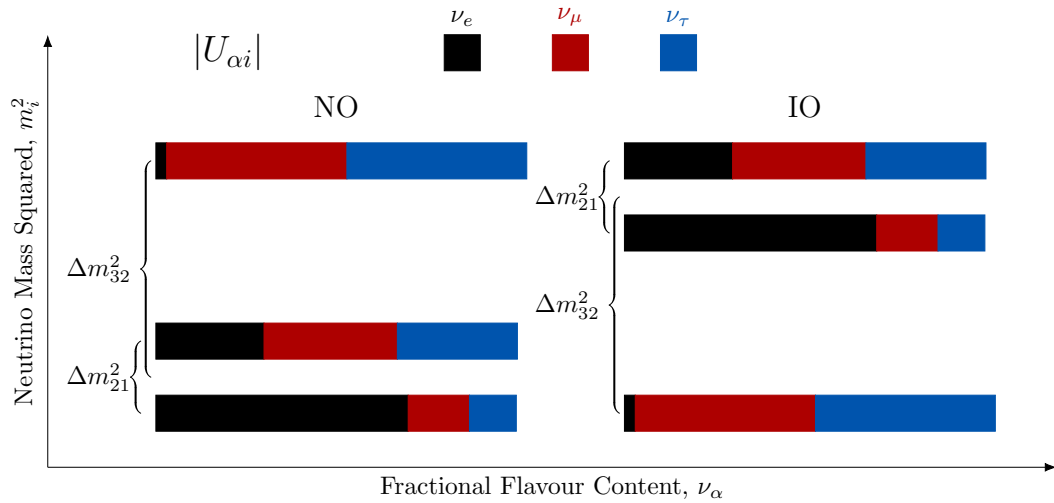


Figure 2.2: Probability of finding the flavour, α , in the i th mass eigenstate, representation of the Pontecorvo Maki Nakagawa Sakata matrix mixing elements for the two different mass orderings, left showing the Normal Ordering (NO) and right showing the Inverted Ordering (IO). Here the convention $\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$ is used

We now know from oscillation experiments that neutrinos have small masses with tiny mass splittings, illustrated in fig. 2.2 see section 2.4 for further details. However oscillation experiments can only probe the mass difference $\Delta m_{ij}^2 = m_i^2 - m_j^2$, and cannot determine the mass of a particular neutrino. Methods for directly determining the masses of the neutrinos exist, and are described in section 2.3.1. The pattern of mass splittings is very different to the quark sector, and generating the masses in the same manner as the quarks seems unlikely as the ratio of the neutrino mass to the quark mass is of $\mathcal{O}(10^{-6})$.

There are only left handed neutrinos in the standard model, due to the maximally parity violating nature of the weak interaction.

To introduce mass to neutrinos requires an extension of the Standard Model, a *minimally extended Standard Model* introduces the right handed neutrino fields $\nu_{\alpha R}$, $\alpha = e, \mu, \tau$. Such fields are fundamentally different to the rest of the fermion sector due to their invariance under $SU(3)_C \times SU(2)_L$, they are singlets, and have hypercharge $Y = 0$, and are known as *sterile* due to their only interaction being with the gravitational force.

In the Dirac case a massless fermion can be described by a spinor with left and right handed components. The mass term in case is

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{Dirac}} = \sum_{i=1,2,3} -m_i \bar{\nu}_i \nu \quad (2.8)$$

where each of the, $m_i = y_i \frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$, is made up of the Yukawa couplings, y_i .

The Majorana case, makes the particle its own antiparticle, by making the spinor the sum of left handed field and its conjugate [6],

$$\nu = \nu_L + \nu_L^C = \nu^C, \quad (2.9)$$

this does not violate charge conservation since the neutrino is neutral. This spinor leads to a mass term

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{Majorana}} = -\frac{1}{2} m (\bar{\nu}_L^C \nu_L + \nu_L^C \bar{\nu}_L), \quad (2.10)$$

where the expression is for a single neutrino field. Although eq. (2.10) only contains the standard model left-handed neutrino fields, Majorana mass terms break $SU(2)$ gauge symmetry, and violate $B - L$, where B is baryon number and L is lepton number, a symmetry of the standard model. An expression for the kinetic terms including the Majorana mass is

$$\mathcal{L}^{\text{Majorana}} = \bar{\nu}_L^C i \overleftrightarrow{\not{\partial}} \nu_L - \frac{m}{2} \left(-\nu_L^T C^\dagger \nu_L + \bar{\nu}_L C \bar{\nu}_L^T \right). \quad (2.11)$$

where the notation $\overleftrightarrow{\not{\partial}} \equiv \frac{1}{2} \left(\overrightarrow{\not{\partial}} - \overleftarrow{\not{\partial}} \right)$ acts to the right and to the left.

For a massless neutrino the Dirac and Majorana descriptions of the neutrino coincide and in both cases the right handed chiral fields do interact. This means that measurements of the effect of neutrino mass are necessary in order to distinguish between the two possibilities. This measurement cannot be made from neutrino oscillations as the effect of the Majorana phase cannot be seen in oscillation experiments. A promising way of determining the nature of neutrinos is via neutrinoless double beta decay which is discussed in section 2.3.2.

2.3.1 Direct Measurements of Neutrino Mass

Radioactive decay offers a model independent way of determining the neutrino mass. The decay models are not dependent on whether neutrinos are Dirac or Majorana and also do not suffer from dependence on cosmological models as in section 2.3.3. The process

$$(A, Z) \rightarrow (A, Z + 1) + e^- + \bar{\nu}_e, \quad (2.12)$$

results in an electron whose kinematics depend on the momentum of the neutrino. Isotopes with the lowest accessible endpoint are used to improve the sensitivity of the experiments. These experiments probe the limit of the effective mass, $m_\beta = \sqrt{\sum_i |U_{ei}|^2 m_i^2}$. Tritium is the isotope used in the Karlsruhe Tritium Neutrino Experiment (KATRIN) experiment [7], and the Troitsk and Mainz experiments [8, 9] have determined the limit $m_\beta < 2 \text{ eV}$. KATRIN is designed to reach 0.200 eV at 90 % Confidence Level (C.L.) after 3 years running [10].

Since the decay

$$\pi^+ \rightarrow \mu^+ + \nu_\mu, \quad (2.13)$$

has two bodies in the final state, energy conservation can be used to determine the mass of the neutrino. Measurements of the μ^+ momentum resulted in upper limits for $m_{\nu_\mu} < 0.17 \text{ MeV}$ at 90 % C.L. [11].

The following decays of τ particles have been used to determine neutrino mass,

$$\tau^- \rightarrow 2\pi^- + \pi^+ + \nu_\tau, \quad \tau^- \rightarrow 3\pi^- + 2\pi^+ + \nu_\tau (+\pi^0) \quad (2.14)$$

resulting in an upper limit of $m_{\nu_\tau} < 18.2 \text{ MeV}$ at 95 % C.L.. Both these limits are less stringent than those determined by the single beta decay

2.3.2 Neutrinoless Double Beta Decay

If neutrinos are Majorana particles the decay processes

$$\begin{aligned} {}^A_Z N &\rightarrow {}^A_{Z+2} N + 2e^- \\ {}^A_Z N &\rightarrow {}^A_{Z-2} N + 2e^+, \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

known as neutrinoless double beta decay ($2\beta_{0\nu}^\pm$) can occur, these violate lepton number conservation $\Delta L = \pm 2$, and observing either of these process is enough to confirm the Majorana nature of neutrinos. In fig. 2.3 a $2\beta_{0\nu}^\pm$ process is shown at tree level, incorporating three neutrino mixing which adds a factor of U_{ek} at each vertex, to take into account of helicity matching a term m_k is incorporated. The *effective Majorana*

$m_{2\beta}$ is then the sum over three massive neutrinos

$$m_{2\beta} = \sum_{k=1}^3 U_{ek}^2 m_k. \quad (2.16)$$

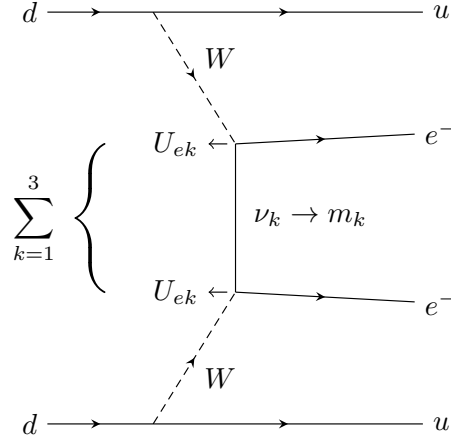


Figure 2.3: Tree level diagram of the neutrinoless beta decay ($2\beta_{0\nu}^-$) process, since the $\nu_e = \bar{\nu}_e$ are the same particle, helicity also matching in the process introduces a term m_k for each of the massive neutrinos. Mixing between the three massive neutrinos introduces the sum, and the elements of the Pontecorvo Maki Nakagawa Sakata matrix U_{ek} , which leads to eq. (2.16). This process is forbidden in the standard model

In the standard model the particle and anti-particle difference in addition to the helicity difference mean that $2\beta_{0\nu}^\mp$ is not possible. It is also possible for the decays to go via the lepton number conserving decays with either $2\nu_e/2\bar{\nu}_e$. If a nucleus can decay via a single β process then the 2β process is not observable in practice due to its much longer lifetime. Isotopes with energetically forbidden or suppressed β decay are selected for experiment. The lifetime of the $2\beta_{0\nu}^\mp$ decay depends on the effective Majorana mass, $m_{2\beta}$

$$\left[T_{1/2}^{0\nu}(N)\right]^{-1} = G_{0\nu}^N |M_{0\nu}^N|^2 \frac{|m_{2\beta}|}{m_e^2} \quad (2.17)$$

where $M_{0\nu}^N$ is the nuclear matrix element, and $G_{0\nu}^N$ is the phase space factor, and $m_{2\beta} = \sum_i U_{ei} m_i$. To date lower bounds, and no signal, have observed on elements which can decay via $2\beta_{0\nu}^\mp$. A lower bound has been set on the decay of ^{136}Xe of $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.07 \times 10^{26}$ yr at 90 % C.L. by the KamLAND [12] experiment. A bound set by the GERmanium Detector Array (GERDA) experiment on ^{76}Ge at $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 8 \times 10^{25}$ yr at 90 % C.L. has also been observed [13]. Three other experiments have also measured limits: Cryogenic Underground Observatory for Rare Events (CUORE) ^{130}Te at $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.3 \times 10^{25}$ yr at 90 % C.L. and $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.5 \times 10^{25}$ yr at 90 % C.L. [14] combined with Cryogenic Underground Observatory for Rare Events-0 (CUORE-0) [15] and CUORICINO (CUORICINO) [16], Enriched Xenon Observatory-200 (EXO-200)

^{136}Xe at $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.8 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$ at 90 % C.L. [17], MAJORANA (MAJORANA) ^{76}Ge at $T_{1/2}^{0\nu} > 1.9 \times 10^{25} \text{ yr}$ at 90 % C.L. [18].

2.3.3 Astrophysical Neutrino Constraints

The cosmological evolution of the universe is affected by the density of the neutrinos which is related to the number of active neutrino species and the value of their masses. Information from neutrinos after a hot Big Bang model in a Cosmic Neutrino Background (CνB) modelled by the Lambda Cold Dark Matter (Λ CDM) formalism which currently fits most cosmological parameters well [19]. Constraints for the sum of the neutrino masses $\sum m_\nu = \sum_{i=1,2,3} m_i$, come from a variety of data sets with the most robust constraints coming from the Planck temperature data. The constraint is subject to some model dependence with some weakening of the upper bounds of $\sum m_\nu$ when including additional parameters. The result $\sum m_\nu < 0.12 \text{ eV}$ at the 95 % C.L., does not include data from Lyman- α absorption data which is much more sensitive to modelling, a plot of $\sum m_\nu$ against the Hubble parameter H_0 , and coloured by the matter fluctuation amplitude σ_8 [20] is shown in fig. 2.4.

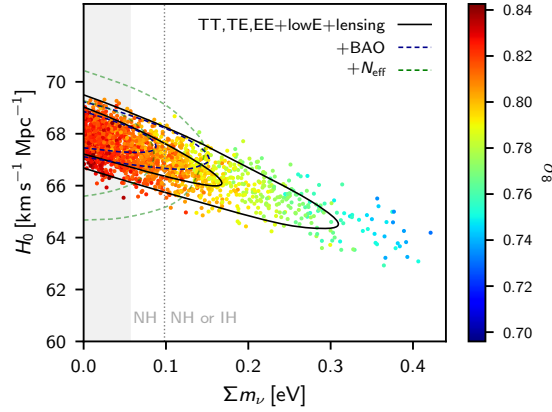


Figure 2.4: Sum of the neutrino masses $\sum m_\nu$ against the Hubble parameter H_0 . The grey zone is excluded by limits from neutrino oscillation data $\sum m_\nu < 0.056 \text{ eV}$, colour coded by σ_8 , the matter fluctuation amplitude. The parameter space left of the vertical dotted line implies Normal Hierarchy/Ordering whilst to the right either Normal or Inverted Hierarchy/Ordering are possible. Reproduced from [20] .

The effective number of neutrino families N_{eff} can be obtained from the transition when neutrinos decouple from the plasma present in the early Universe. In this model the neutrinos are treated as a part of the parameterisation of the energy density of the Universe in addition to photons. Recent results from the Planck experiment give $N_{eff} = 2.99 \pm 0.17$ at 95 % C.L. which can be seen in fig. 2.5 where N_{eff} is plotted against the Hubble parameter, H_0 and data sets are coloured by the matter fluctuation amplitude σ_8 .

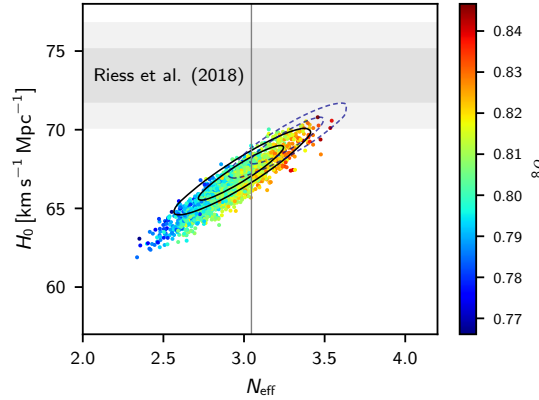


Figure 2.5: Number of effective neutrino species which are relativistic, N_{eff} with the local Hubble parameter, H_0 , colour coded by σ_8 , the matter fluctuation amplitude. The solid contours use data from Planck alone, limits for H_0 from [21] are shown in the grey region and joint constraints with that data set are shown in dashed lines. The vertical line shows $N_{eff} = 3.046$, the standard neutrino decoupling model expectation. Reproduced from [20].

2.4 Neutrino Oscillations

The primary focus of this thesis is the measurement of neutrino oscillations, the observation that a flux of neutrinos can change flavour in flight. We will consider three flavour oscillations in this thesis and in the following treatment although there are mechanisms for the addition of non-active or sterile neutrinos. The measurement of the Z^0 width by experiments at LEP and SLD constrained the number of light mass neutrino species to 2.9840 ± 0.0082 [22]. The observation of neutrino oscillations implies that neutrinos have mass and their mass and flavour eigenstates are not equivalent. Since we only observe neutrinos via their weak interactions we can define the neutrino that is produced with a lepton of a particular flavour, for instance an electron, as a neutrino of that flavour, an electron neutrino in this case. The propagation of neutrinos occurs via their mass eigenstates, and each flavour state is a superposition of the mass eigenstates, since these mass states are not identical each has a different velocity and will become out of phase as the particle propagates. When a neutrino is detected it will have a different superposition of probability amplitudes for each mass state to its initial composition which in turn describe another set of flavour eigenstates.

To calculate oscillation probabilities we need to relate the flavour states, ν_α for $\alpha = e, \mu, \tau$, to the mass states, ν_i for $i = 1, 2, 3$, via a matrix U

$$|\nu_\alpha\rangle = \sum_i U_{\alpha i} |\nu_i\rangle \quad (2.18)$$

$$|\nu_i\rangle = \sum_{\alpha} U_{\alpha i}^* |\nu_{\alpha}\rangle. \quad (2.19)$$

The transformation matrix, in this case a rotation matrix which is called the PMNS matrix U_{pmns} : Pontecorvo, Maki, Nakagawa, Sakata (PMNS)

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\text{pmns}} &= \begin{pmatrix} U_{e1} & U_{e2} & U_{e3} \\ U_{\mu1} & U_{\mu2} & U_{\mu3} \\ U_{\tau1} & U_{\tau2} & U_{\tau3} \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c_{23} & s_{23} \\ 0 & -s_{23} & c_{23} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{13} & 0 & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{\text{CP}}} \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{\text{CP}}} & 0 & c_{13} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_{12} & s_{12} & 0 \\ -s_{12} & c_{12} & 0 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ &= \begin{pmatrix} c_{12}c_{13} & s_{12}c_{13} & s_{13}e^{-i\delta_{\text{CP}}} \\ -s_{12}c_{23} - c_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{\text{CP}}} & c_{12}c_{23} - s_{12}s_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{\text{CP}}} & s_{23}c_{13} \\ s_{12}s_{23} - c_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{\text{CP}}} & -c_{12}s_{23} - s_{12}c_{23}s_{13}e^{i\delta_{\text{CP}}} & c_{23}c_{13} \end{pmatrix}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.20)$$

encodes the transformation between the neutrino mass and flavour states as a three dimensional rotation matrix. In eq. (2.20) the notation c_{lm} , s_{lm} for $\cos\theta_{lm}$ and $\sin\theta_{lm}$ is used, where θ_{lm} is a mixing angle between the state l and m , and the physical phase δ_{CP} . An additional complex phase factor can be multiplied with the matrix in order to take into consideration a possible Majorana mass which can be expressed as a diagonal unitary matrix

$$\text{diag}(e^{i\lambda_1}, e^{i\lambda_2}, e^{i\lambda_3}), \quad (2.21)$$

where $\lambda_1 = 0$, this cannot be observed in oscillation experiments and will not be considered in the the rest of the treatment. This matrix must be unitary in order to preserve probability .

Since only the mass squared splittings Δm_{21}^2 and $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$ are known from neutrino oscillations, and the sign of Δm_{31}^2 is not known, this introduces two possibilities for how the absolute values of the masses are ordered. One case is $m_1 < m_2 < m_3$, the Normal Ordering (NO) and $m_3 < m_2 < m_1$, Inverted Ordering (IO) The case where $\Delta m_{31}^2 > 0$ is called the Normal Hierarchy/Ordering (NH,NO) and the other possibility, Inverted Hierarchy/Ordering (IH,IO) where $\Delta m_{32}^2 < 0$, a diagram of the splittings is shown in fig. 2.2. The results in this thesis, and those for global fits, are presented for both of these cases considered separately.

The calculation of the probability of observing a particular flavour state α after the beam of neutrinos has propagated a distance, L can be performed in several different ways . It can be shown that taking the wave packets in consideration as opposed to the plane wave approach taken here results in the same expression for the transition probabilities [23]. A method of generating neutrinos is from the decay of pions, from this

consideration an expression for the energy and the momentum of the mass eigenstates can be derived, and ignoring variations of the group speeds of the neutrinos of order m_j^2 an expression for the state $|\nu_\alpha\rangle$ after time t , $|\nu_\alpha(t)\rangle$, can be derived

$$|\nu_\alpha(t)\rangle = U_{\alpha j}^* e^{-im_j^2 t/2E} |\nu_j\rangle, \quad (2.22)$$

from the previous expression in eq. (2.22), the oscillation probability can be obtained assuming the orthogonality of the flavour states

$$P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = |\langle \nu_\beta | \nu_\alpha(t) \rangle|^2 \quad (2.23)$$

$$= \left| \sum_j U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^* e^{-im_j^2 t/2E} \right|^2 \quad (2.24)$$

$$= \sum_{k,j} U_{\beta k}^* U_{\alpha k} U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^* e^{-i\Delta m_{kj}^2 t/2E} \quad (2.25)$$

where in the last line the notation $\Delta m_{kj}^2 = m_k^2 - m_j^2$ is used. If we make the approximation that the neutrinos are ultrarelativistic (and time of flight for neutrinos is not usually experimentally measured) we can say that $t = L$, this assumption is reasonable based on the current bounds for the neutrino masses. As a consequence we can express the phase in eq. (2.25) as

$$\Phi_{kj} = \frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{2E}, \quad (2.26)$$

and the amplitude is determined by the magnitude of the elements of U , $|U_{\alpha i}|^2$. The expression in eq. (2.25) can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) &= \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4 \sum_{j>k} \text{Re} [U_{\beta k}^* U_{\alpha k} U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^*] \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{4E} \right) \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{j>k} \text{Im} [U_{\beta k}^* U_{\alpha k} U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^*] \sin \left(\frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{2E} \right). \end{aligned} \quad (2.27)$$

In eq. (2.27) flavour changing channels, where $\alpha \neq \beta$ are called *transition*, or in the case of beam based experiments, *disappearance* probabilities (which could also in principle be caused by neutrino decays, which are not considered in this thesis and also require “new physics”). Channels where $\alpha = \beta$ are called *survival* probabilities.

A similar expression to eq. (2.23) can be derived for antineutrinos, where the elements of U are complex conjugated wrt eq. (2.25)

$$P(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta) = \sum_{k,j} U_{\beta k} U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta j}^* U_{\alpha j} e^{-i\Phi_{kj}}, \quad (2.28)$$

expressing eq. (2.28) in the same form as eq. (2.27),

$$P(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta) = \delta_{\alpha\beta} - 4 \sum_{j>k} \text{Re} [U_{\beta k}^* U_{\alpha k} U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^*] \sin^2 \left(\frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{4E} \right) - 2 \sum_{j>k} \text{Im} [U_{\beta k}^* U_{\alpha k} U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^*] \sin \left(\frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{2E} \right), \quad (2.29)$$

this expression only differs in the sign of the imaginary part from the expression for neutrinos in eq. (2.27). \mathcal{CPT} violating transitions are not considered in this thesis, which implies the equality $P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = P(\bar{\nu}_\beta \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\alpha)$, which can be seen by interchanging α and β in eq. (2.28) and comparing with eq. (2.27), this equality also holds for the case where $\alpha = \beta$. \mathcal{CP} asymmetry can be characterised by the difference between the transitions $P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta)$ and $P(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta)$ and the time reversed versions of both these transitions. Using the expressions for these transitions from eqs. (2.27) and (2.29), the terms which contribute to \mathcal{CP} asymmetry are,

$$4 \sum_{j>k} \text{Im} [U_{\beta k}^* U_{\alpha k} U_{\beta j} U_{\alpha j}^*] \sin \left(\frac{\Delta m_{kj}^2 L}{2E} \right), \quad (2.30)$$

where in the case of a *survival* transition the imaginary terms vanish.

As a consequence of the unitarity of the matrix U , the sum $\sum_\beta P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = 1$, that is the sum of all the transitions from a flavour α , to all flavours $\beta (= \alpha)$ covers all of probability space. Also for $\alpha (= \beta)$, $\sum_\alpha P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta) = 1$.

Using the PMNS matrix elements, an expression for the disappearance probability of ν_μ can be written

$$\begin{aligned} P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) = & 1 - (c_{13}^4 \sin^2 2\theta_{23} + s_{23}^2 \sin^2 2\theta_{13}) \sin^2 \Delta_{31} \\ & + [c_{13}^2 (c_{12}^2 - s_{13}^2 s_{12}^2) \sin^2 2\theta_{23} + s_{12}^2 s_{23}^2 \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \\ & - s_{23}^2 c_{13}^2 \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 2\theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \cos \delta_{\text{CP}}] \\ & \times \left[\frac{1}{2} \sin 2\Delta_{21} \sin 2\Delta_{31} + 2 \sin^2 2\Delta_{21} \sin^2 2\Delta_{31} \right] \\ & - [\sin^2 \theta_{12} (c_{23}^2 - s_{13}^2 s_{23}^2)^2 + s_{13}^2 \sin^2 \theta_{23} (1 - \cos^2 \delta_{\text{CP}} \sin^2 2\theta_{12}) \\ & + 2s_{13}^2 \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \cos 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{23} \cos \delta_{\text{CP}} \\ & - 2s_{23}^2 s_{12}^2 c_{13}^2 \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{12} \cos \delta_{\text{CP}} \\ & + \sin^2 2\theta_{23} c_{13}^2 (c_{12}^2 - s_{13}^2 s_{12}^2) + s_{12}^2 s_{23}^2 \sin^2 2\theta_{13}] \sin^2 \Delta_{21}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.31)$$

where $\Delta_{ij} = \Delta m_{ij}^2 L / 2E$, and the θ_{ij} are the mixing angles. Measurements of the ratio $\Delta m_{31}^2 / \Delta m_{21}^2 \sim 30$ have been made, and experiments are designed to maximise either $\sin^2 \Delta_{31}$ or $\sin^2 \Delta_{21}$ through the ratio of L/E . This allows the approximation

$\Delta m_{21}^2 \ll \Delta m_{31}^2$ to be made, the resulting expression is

$$\begin{aligned} P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu) &\simeq 1 - (c_{13}^4 \sin^2 2\theta_{23} + s_{23}^2 \sin^2 2\theta_{13}) \sin^2 \Delta_{31} \\ &= 1 - 4 \cos_{13}^2 \sin_{23}^2 (1 - \cos^2 \theta_{13} \sin^2 \theta_{23}) \sin^2 \Delta_{31}, \end{aligned} \quad (2.32)$$

due to the symmetry of this expression about $\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$ there is a degeneracy in the octant of this parameter. The approximate expression for electron neutrino appearance to leading order is

$$P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \simeq \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{13} \sin^2 \Phi_{31}, \quad (2.33)$$

this approximate expression can be used to lift the degeneracy in ν_μ survival. Matter effects which modify the expressions eqs. (2.32) and (2.33) are discussed in section 2.4.1.

2.4.1 Matter Effects

The discussion in section 2.4 was for neutrinos propagating in a vacuum and did not take into account the effects introduced by propagation through matter, where an additional potential is introduced by those same atoms. This potential modifies the oscillation probabilities introducing additional terms which can significantly alter the resulting probabilities. This is a significant effect when neutrinos created in nuclear interactions in the core of sun propagate and leave the sun. Since ordinary matter which composes the sun is composed of electrons orbiting nuclei and does not contain muonic or tau matter an effect from this asymmetry needs to be included. In ordinary matter NC interactions take place for, $\nu_{e,\mu,\tau}$, whilst for ν_e CC interactions with the e^- also take place. Coherent forward elastic scattering introduces a potential which can enhance oscillations [24], the amount of incoherent scattering is small. A charged current potential is introduced in addition to a neutral current potential due to matter.

In the case of three-neutrino mixing an effective hamiltonian \mathcal{H}_F can be used to describe the evolution of the neutrino states, and is defined as

$$\mathcal{H}_F = \frac{1}{2E} \left(U M^2 U^\dagger + \mathbf{A} \right), \quad (2.34)$$

with

$$\mathbf{M}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \Delta m_{21}^2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & \Delta m_{31}^2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{A}^2 = \begin{pmatrix} A_{cc} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.35)$$

where $A_{cc} \equiv 2EV_{cc} = 2E\sqrt{2}G_F N_e$, where N_e is the electron density in matter, and G_F is the Fermi coupling constant. The neutral current potential is given by $V_{nc} = -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2}G_F N_n$, where N_n is the neutron density in matter. The signs of the two potentials are reversed for interactions of antineutrinos in ordinary matter.

For three flavour oscillations the probability of the transition $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ can be approximated by [25]

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e) \simeq & \sin^2 \theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{13} \frac{\sin^2(\Delta_{31} - aL)}{(\Delta_{31} - aL)^2} \Delta_{31}^2 \\
 & + \sin 2\theta_{23} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{12} \frac{\sin(\Delta_{31} - aL)}{(\Delta_{31} - aL)} \Delta_{31} \frac{\sin(aL)}{(aL)} \Delta_{21} \cos(\Delta_{31} + \delta_{\text{CP}}) \\
 & + \cos^2 \theta_{23} \sin^2 2\theta_{12} \frac{\sin^2(aL)}{(aL)^2} \Delta_{21}^2
 \end{aligned} \tag{2.36}$$

where $\Delta_{ij} = \Delta m_{ij}^2 L / 4E$, and $a = V_{\text{cc}}/2$. The \mathcal{CP} conjugate process changes the signs of both δ_{CP} and the matter potential V_{cc} , and hence a . This introduces a degeneracy, where matter effects can mimic the effects of \mathcal{CP} violation. The effect of varying the phase of δ_{CP} with the inclusion of matter effects are shown in fig. 2.12 for a baseline where the degeneracy between matter effects and \mathcal{CP} violation can be resolved. In fig. 2.6 the T2K experiment baseline and energy is shown with degeneracies for both the mass hierarchy and the value of δ_{CP} . Additional degeneracies come from the octant of θ_{23} as the ν_μ survival probability depends on $\sin^2 2\theta_{23}$ which further limits the resolution of the experiment, this is also shown in fig. 2.6.

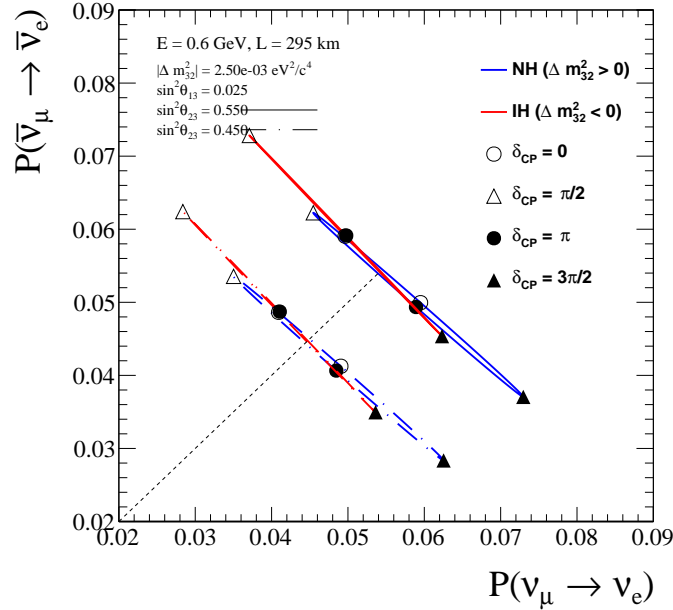


Figure 2.6: Biprobability diagram in the space $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$, $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$ the \mathcal{CP} transformed transition for the T2K experiment baseline and energy. The oscillation parameters are fixed apart from δ_{CP} which varies between $\delta_{\text{CP}} \in [0, 2\pi]$, the red and blue curves show the normal and inverted hierarchies respectively. The solid and dashed lines show different solutions to the octant of θ_{23} which introduces an additional degeneracy beyond that of the mass hierarchy.

2.4.2 MSW Effect

Considering the case of two neutrino mixing is useful to illustrate the enhancement that matter can have on the oscillation probability, the treatment in this section follows [26]. Considering the case of ν_e, ν_μ and ν_1, ν_2 , which is the same as mixing between ν_e, ν_τ since they have the same matter potential. The mixing matrix contains one mixing angle, θ and a single mass splitting Δm . The time evolution of the neutrino state can be written

$$i \frac{d}{dx} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{ee} \\ \phi_{e\mu} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{4E} \begin{pmatrix} -\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta + A_{cc} & \Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta \\ \Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta & \Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta - A_{cc} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{ee} \\ \phi_{e\mu} \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.37)$$

with the effective Hamiltonian contained in the first two terms after the equality. An effective mixing matrix is described by

$$U_M = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \theta_M & \sin \theta_M \\ -\sin \theta_M & \cos \theta_M \end{pmatrix} \quad (2.38)$$

along with an effective Δm^2 difference

$$\Delta m_M^2 = \sqrt{(\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta - A_{cc})^2 + (\Delta m^2 \sin 2\theta)^2}, \quad (2.39)$$

and the effective mixing angle θ_M given by

$$\tan 2\theta_M = \frac{\tan 2\theta}{1 - \frac{A_{cc}}{\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta}}. \quad (2.40)$$

When the electron density in matter is a specific value, N_e^R , a resonance for the transitions between the flavour states occurs,

$$N_e^R = \frac{\Delta m^2 \cos 2\theta}{2E\sqrt{2}G_F}. \quad (2.41)$$

The angle at resonance is $\pi/4$, and if the region of matter at the resonant electron density is wide enough, a complete transition between the two flavours can occur and is called the Mikheyev Smirnov Wolfenstein (MSW) effect [27, 28]. These conditions are present for neutrinos propagating outwards from the core of stars, in the case of solar neutrinos and for supernova neutrinos. Stars are composed of a plasma smoothly varying in density in a radial direction. The core of the Sun has a high electron density, $N_e \gg N_e^R$ and so the initial production of neutrinos, where $\theta_M \sim \pi/2$ and is therefore almost pure ν_2 will cross the resonance and do so adiabatically. The state will then remain in $\nu_2 = \sin \theta \nu_e + \cos \theta \nu_\mu$ and will primarily be composed of ν_μ even in the case of a small vacuum mixing angle θ .

2.4.3 Neutrino Oscillation Measurements

Several experiments have been designed and run to measure the oscillation parameters in the parameterisation of the PMNS matrix described in section 2.4.

Knowledge of the oscillation parameters θ_{12} and Δm_{21}^2 comes from solar and reactor experiments with baselines of ~ 100 km. The θ_{23} parameter is determined by atmospheric experiments and accelerator experiments with long baselines ~ 100 km. θ_{13} has best been determined by reactor experiments with baselines $\mathcal{O}(1)$ km and is also determined with long baseline accelerator experiments. $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$ is measured using atmospheric, long baseline accelerator and reactor experiments with baselines ~ 1 km. The determination of the sign of Δm_{32}^2 requires lifting the degeneracy between matter effects and the effect of δ_{CP} as illustrated in fig. 2.12. δ_{CP} is determined by long baseline experiments. A brief description of the experiments follows with the experimental best knowledge of the parameters presented in section 2.4.6.

2.4.3.1 Solar Experiments

Copious neutrinos are produced in the sun in several thermonuclear reactions, making up the standard solar model [29], which each have an associated energy spectrum shown in fig. 2.8. Experimentally observable quantities are used as input into the standard solar model and have been verified using data from satellite based experiments [30]. An experiment at the Homestake mine [31] measured the number of ^{37}Ar atoms that were produced in the reaction $\nu_e + ^{37}\text{Cl} \rightarrow ^{37}\text{Ar} + e^-$ on 615 t of tetrachloroethylene C_2Cl_4 , and measured one third of the expected flux relative to the prediction from the solar model. The precursor to the Super-Kamiokande experiment, Kamiokande, measured the solar neutrino flux and specifically neutrinos from the ^8B reaction [32]. Gallium based experiments have also been performed, which are sensitive to lower energy neutrinos from the pp reactions, GALLEX [33, 34] and SAGE [35], and observed a deficit of about a half, suggesting an energy dependence. The Super-K experiment made more precise measurements [36] of the same process the Kamiokande experiment, consistent with the previous measurements. The SNO experiment made measurements with 1000 t of D_2O which allowed it to measure interactions in the CC, NC and ES channels. Each of these channels has a different sensitivity to the neutrino flavour states, with NC $\nu_\alpha + d \rightarrow p + n + \nu_\alpha$ being equally sensitive to all neutrino flavours, the CC channel $\nu_e + d \rightarrow p + p + e^-$ sensitive to the ν_e and the ES channel $\nu_\alpha + e^- \rightarrow \nu_\alpha + e^-$ sensitive to a mixture of the fluxes with the contribution from the ν_e dominant. Using the sensitivity to the ν_μ, ν_τ components of the flux the hypothesis that neutrinos oscillate in flight could be tested, finding that the measurements were consistent with a mixture of neutrino flavours in the solar neutrino flux, this is shown in fig. 2.7. The Borexino experiment [37] had the ability to measure the lower energy neutrinos which are much more abundant,

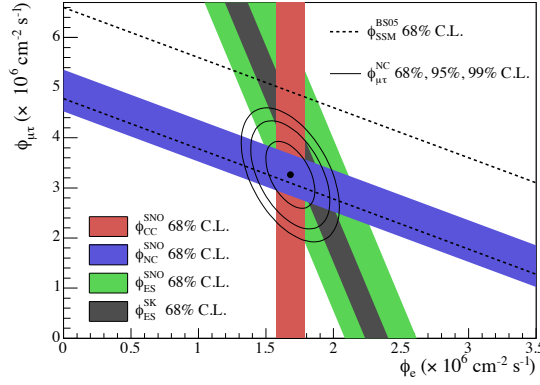


Figure 2.7: ^8B flux of $\nu_\mu + \nu_\tau$ vs flux of ν_e for the CC, NC, and ES channels as indicated by the filled bands. The black band shows the result from Super-K reported in [40]. Reproduced from [41].

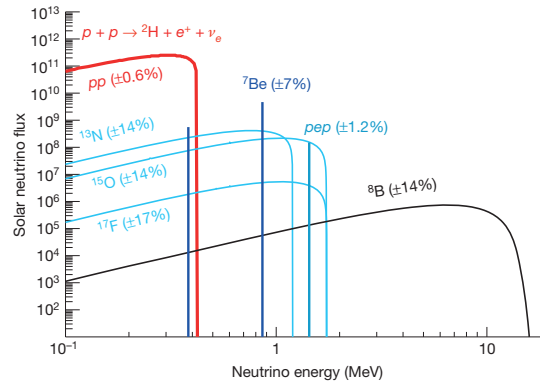


Figure 2.8: The solar neutrino flux as a function of energy for the thermonuclear processes considered in the standard solar model. Reproduced from [38]

including those originating from the pp reaction [38, 39], and better characterising the majority of the neutrino flux.

2.4.3.2 Atmospheric Neutrino Experiments

The Super-K experiment also made measurements of neutrinos originating from cosmic ray interactions and subsequent hadronic decays. The interaction model predicted a ratio of the flux ratio $(\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu)/(\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e) \simeq 2$. Measurements of the flux ratio as a function of zenith angle were made, which samples interactions from regions of the atmosphere at different distances from the detector. These measurements, shown in fig. 2.9 showed deviations from the ratio predicted by the flux model [42] and were consistent with two flavour oscillations [43].

The IceCube detector is an ice Cherenkov detector consisting of an array of 5160 10 inch Photomultiplier Tubes (PMTs) facing downwards at depths between 1450–2450 m in the ice at the South Pole. The PMTs are arranged on strings protected by pressure spheres (Digital Optical Modules (DOMs)) with a vertical spacing of 17 m between

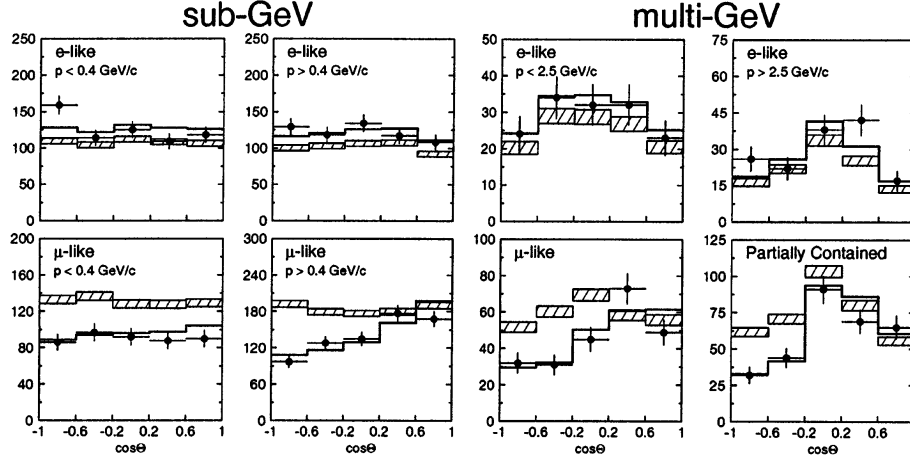


Figure 2.9: Super-K zenith angle distributions for the events in the sub-GeV range and the multi-GeV producing e -like or μ -like signatures. The hatched regions show the expectation based on the atmospheric flux model with no oscillations, whilst the bold line shows the best fit expectation for $\nu_\mu \leftrightarrow \nu_\tau$. Reproduced from [43]

DOMs on the strings, the strings are sunk into the ice in a triangular grid spaced at 125 m [44]. A more densely instrumented region with DOM spacing of 7 m and smaller (40–70 m) string spacing along with 50 % of PMTs having higher quantum efficiency and a threshold of 10 GeV is known as DeepCore [45]. A planned upgrade Precision IceCube Next Generation Upgrade (PINGU) will be able to determine the neutrino mass ordering to 3σ with less than 4 yr of data [46].

2.4.3.3 Reactor Experiments

Experiments using the intense $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux from nuclear reactors at different baselines can probe either θ_{13} and Δm_{32}^2 at $\mathcal{O}(1 \text{ km})$ or at longer baselines $\mathcal{O}(10 \text{ km})$ the parameters θ_{12} and Δm_{21}^2 . These are typically accomplished via the measurement of $\Delta m_{ee}^2 \approx \cos^2 \theta_{12} |\Delta m_{31}^2| + \sin^2 \theta_{12} |\Delta m_{32}^2|$ [47]. Inverse β -decay $\bar{\nu}_e + p \rightarrow e^+ + n$ is used as the reaction channel.

The KamLAND experiment uses 1 kt liquid scintillator surrounded by 55 reactors at an average distance of 180 km, the exposure consists of 2881 t yr [48]. A plot of the data gathered showing the data to no oscillation expectation fig. 2.10 shows a characteristic oscillation pattern.

The Chooz experiment was a 0.09 % Gd loaded scintillator with a target mass of 5 t surrounded by a 17 t region of scintillator optically separated from a final 90 t region of scintillator to veto cosmic ray muons. The total live time of the experiment was 342.1 days [49, 50].

The Palo Verde experiment consisted of 11.3 t of 0.1 % Gd loaded scintillator [51] shielded

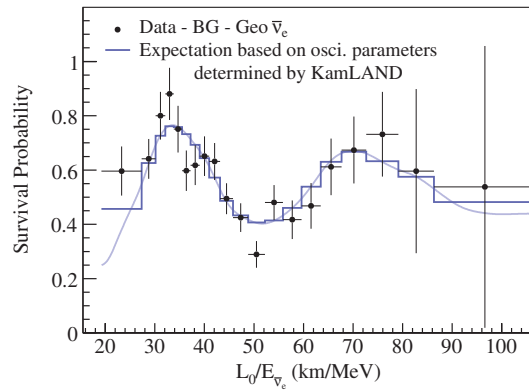


Figure 2.10: Figure from [48] showing the background and geoneutrino subtracted $\bar{\nu}_e$ spectrum from the average reactor flux as a ratio to the no-oscillation expectation measured by the KamLAND experiment. This ratio is plotted as a function of L_0/E where the average distance L_0 is 180 km.

by oil and 105 t of water, non equidistant from three reactors, one at 750 m and two at 890 m, and took data for 350 days [52].

Double Chooz uses the same site as the Chooz experiment and uses two detectors a near detector, 400 m from the two reactors and far detector near the oscillation maximum at 1.05 km. The neutrino target consists of 10.3 m³ of liquid scintillator loaded with Gd (1 g l⁻¹) surrounded by a plain scintillator region 55 cm (22.3 m³) thick to catch γ -rays itself surrounded by a shielding/veto region 105 cm thick (110 m³) 462.72 days [53].

The Daya Bay experiment consists of identical modular detectors, with two sets of two near detectors and four far detectors. Each detector contains 20 t of liquid scintillator loaded with 0.1 % Gd by mass which are in turn nested within 20 t of plain scintillator, and an outer layer of mineral oil. The data collected corresponded to 1230 days of operation, and the flux originates from 6 reactor pairs [54].

The Reactor Experiment for Neutrino Oscillation (RENO) consists of two identical detectors, 290 m and 1380 m from a flux from 6 linearly arranged equidistant (260 m) reactors. The detectors contain 16 t of liquid scintillator loaded with 0.1 % Gd as the target, with 29 t plain scintillator, a buffer region and an outer detector acting as a shield and veto [55].

2.4.3.4 Accelerator Experiments

Accelerators can be used to produce beams of primarily ν_μ or $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ neutrinos via hadron production and decay. A proton beam is incident on a target and the charged hadrons that are produced are focussed with magnetic horns to increase the beam intensity and select the primary ν_μ or $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ beam mode.

Main Injector Neutrino Oscillation Search (MINOS) was a long baseline experiment with near (0.1 kt) and far (3.3 kt) detectors 1.04 km and 795 km from beam target and on the beam axis. These were tracking calorimetric detectors of the same technology made up of layers of magnetised steel and scintillator to measure particle momentum [56].

The long baseline T2K experiment is described in more detail in chapter 3, briefly it operates 2.5° (22.9 mrad) off-axis with a beam peak $E_\nu \sim 0.6$ GeV with a near detector (ND280) and far detector (Super-K) at 280 m and 295 km from the beam target.

NuMI Off-axis ν_e Appearance (NO ν A) is a 0.84° (14.6 mrad) long baseline off-axis experiment with near and far detectors 1 km and 810 km from the beam target with a beam peak $E_\nu \sim 1.9$ GeV. The near and far detectors are composed of the same polyvinyl chloride scintillator cells in layers alternately oriented in the vertical and horizontal directions, the total mass of the far detector is 14 kt. The events are fed into a Convolutional Visual Network (CVN), which selects from beam induced CC reactions from $\nu_{e,\mu,\tau}$ and NC events and cosmogenic events. Muon-like tracks are selected after Kalman filtering [57] by a k -nearest neighbour classifier [58] which scores tracks based on: likelihoods in dE/dx and scattering consistent with a single particle, the total track length, and consistency with having minimum-ionizing-like dE/dx in the detector planes. Far detector events must also be signal like based on a Boosted Decision Tree (BDT) which is trained on simulation and cosmic data. A similar process is applied for the selection of ν_e events, where ν_e CC events are initially selected by the same CVN then further selected by building event vertices using a Hough transforms in the two available two dimensional views for both near and far detectors. Events are removed: if they have large amounts of transverse energy as they are typically cosmogenic, are not contained in the detector, have too many hits for reconstruction, or are close in time or space in the detector. A different BDT is used at the far detector to select for signal like events. [59]

The Liquid Scintillator Neutrino Detector (LSND) experiment measured oscillations in a short baseline (30 m) accelerator based experiment and observed an excess of $\bar{\nu}_e$ events at 3.8σ [60]. The Mini Booster Neutrino Experiment (MiniBooNE) experiment was designed in part to search for the excess found by the LSND experiment at the same L/E . Results with 12.84×10^{20} POT in neutrino mode show an excess of ν_e events at 4.5σ , and in combination with the antineutrino mode 11.27×10^{20} POT an excess at 4.8σ is found. Taken in combination the MiniBooNE and LSND experiments show an excess at 6.1σ [61]. The Short-Baseline Neutrino (SBN) program, made up of a set of three detectors, at Fermilab is designed to resolve this anomaly [62], with the MiniBooNE detector continuing to operate in the same beamline.

2.4.4 Charge Parity (\mathcal{CP}) Violation

One of the major unresolved questions in modern physics is the reason for the observed matter antimatter asymmetry in the universe. The Standard Model contains a mechanism for violating \mathcal{CP} (CPV) through the Cabbibo-Kobayashi-Masakawa (CKM) quark mixing matrix which was designed to accommodate the observed CPV decays of K mesons [63]. Evidence for \mathcal{CP} in λ_b^0 baryons has been observed [64]. However the predominance of matter over antimatter in the universe cannot be explained using these observations. A possible mechanism for this asymmetry to manifest in the universe requires that: baryon number is not conserved, the \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{CP} symmetries must be violated, unless \mathcal{CPT} violating transitions are allowed these previous two conditions must proceed out of thermal equilibrium [65]. The discovery of neutrino masses suggests that an additional source of \mathcal{CP} violation may come from the lepton sector. The resulting lepton number asymmetry may be converted to a baryon number asymmetry via sphaleron transitions [66] in a process called leptogenesis.

The charge conjugation operator \mathcal{C} takes a particle, p , to its antiparticle, $|p\rangle \xrightarrow{\mathcal{C}} -|p\rangle$, and is not a symmetry of weak interactions, neither left handed antineutrinos nor right handed neutrinos have been observed. The operator \mathcal{P} was defined in section 2.1.1, and was first shown to be maximally violated in the decay of ^{60}Co [67] and verified in an experiment from a π^+ decay [68]. Both \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{P} when applied twice return the particle to its initial state $\mathcal{C}^2 = \mathcal{P}^2 = I$, and the parity of a composite system, in its ground state, is the product of the parities of the constituent particles. The eigenvalues taken by the operators \mathcal{C} and \mathcal{P} are ± 1 , with the convention that the parities of the fermions and antifermions are 1 and -1 respectively.

The product \mathcal{CPT} , where the operator \mathcal{T} , reverses the sign of the time component $x^\mu \xrightarrow{\mathcal{T}} (-x^0, \vec{x})$, must be conserved as shown by the \mathcal{CPT} -theorem, which shows that it is not possible to construct a quantum field theory without this symmetry, although from a phenomenological point view it is conceivable that \mathcal{CPT} violation could occur in the neutrino sector and limits set from cosmological data [69]. \mathcal{CP} invariance can be checked by comparing $P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta; t)$ with $P(\bar{\nu}_\alpha \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\beta; t)$ which are appearance channels, and are used in this thesis. \mathcal{T} violation can be searched for in the neutrino transition $P(\nu_\beta \rightarrow \nu_\alpha; t)$. The combination \mathcal{CPT} can be searched for by looking at $P(\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta; t)$ with $P(\bar{\nu}_\beta \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\alpha; t)$, a diagrammatic representation of the symmetries can be seen in fig. 2.11, although it is extremely difficult to search for transitions which involve ν_τ . Looking at the transition probabilities in the space $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e), P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)/P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu)$ as shown in fig. 2.12 shows how a search for \mathcal{CP} might be carried out experimentally, oscillation probabilities are calculated with matter effects (solid) and in vacuum (dashed) for several transitions with normal hierarchy (red) and the inverted hierarchy (blue) $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e), P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$. The yellow (normal hierarchy) curve and the green (inverted hierarchy) show $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e), P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu)$.

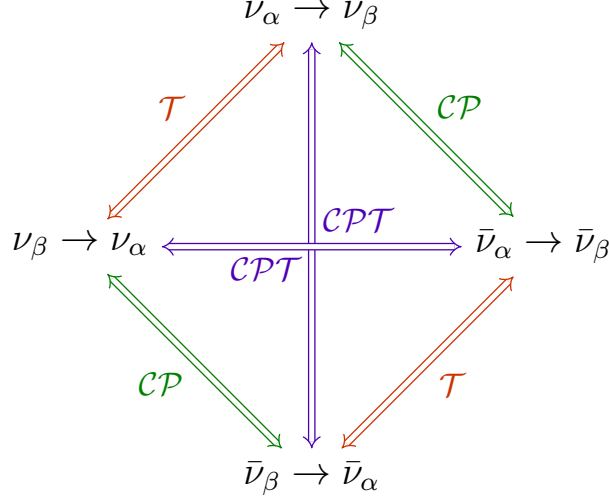


Figure 2.11: Diagram illustrating action of the \mathcal{T} , \mathcal{CP} , \mathcal{CPT} operators when acting on the neutrino flavour transitions, $\nu_\alpha \rightarrow \nu_\beta$, for neutrinos of flavour $\alpha = e, \mu, \tau$ where α can equal β .

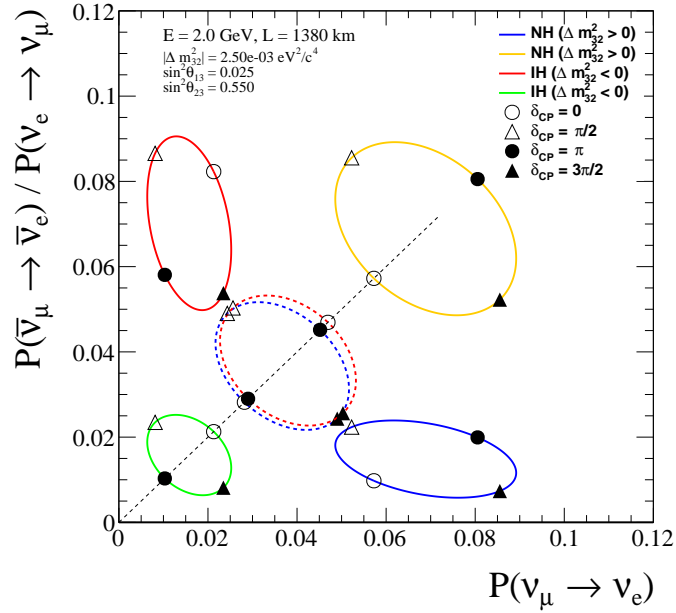


Figure 2.12: Biprobability diagram in the space $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$, $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)/P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu)$, the \mathcal{CP} and \mathcal{T} transformed spaces, oscillation parameters are fixed apart from δ_{CP} which varies between $\delta_{\text{CP}} \in [0, 2\pi]$. The red and blue solid curves show the normal and inverted hierarchies with matter effects, whilst the dashed curves show oscillations in vacuum in both cases for $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$ vs $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$. The yellow and green curves show the normal and inverted hierarchies for $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$ and $P(\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_\mu)$ respectively. The baseline and energy correspond to a DUNE like scenario where matter effects mimicking \mathcal{CP} violation can be separated.

2.4.5 Jarlskog Invariant

An expression for \mathcal{CP} violation in a way which is independent of the rephasing of the leptonic (or quark) fields can be accomplished using the Jarlskog Invariant, J , [70]

$$J = \Im [U_{\mu 3} U_{e 2} U_{\mu 2}^* U_{e 3}^*] \quad (2.42)$$

where the U are elements of the matrix eq. (2.20). For the case of mixing of three active neutrinos all the imaginary parts of the rephasing invariant quartic products $U_{\alpha k}^* U_{\beta k} U_{\alpha j} U_{\beta j}^*$ are equal apart from a sign due to unitarity relations. In the parameterisation of the PMNS matrix U , J is ,

$$J = c_{12} s_{12} c_{23} s_{23} c_{13}^2 s_{13} \sin \delta_{\text{CP}} = \frac{1}{8} \sin 2\theta_{12} \sin 2\theta_{13} \sin 2\theta_{23} \cos \theta_{13} \sin \delta_{\text{CP}}. \quad (2.43)$$

In the quark sector the value of $J_{\text{CKM}} = (3.18 \pm 0.15) \times 10^{-5}$ [71] which is significantly different from that which is found for the lepton sector, $0.026(0.027)|\sin \delta_{\text{CP}}| \lesssim |J_{\text{CP}}| \lesssim 0.035|\sin \delta_{\text{CP}}|$ [71], where the size of the \mathcal{CP} violation effects are mainly dependent on the value of δ_{CP} .

2.4.6 Global fit results

Global fits to the data [72, 73] are used to extract the six oscillation parameters using data gathered from the categories of experiments listed in section 2.4.3. Results of these analysis are shown in fig. 2.13, showing the parameter values with respect to a local minimum of either the NO or IO or with and fig. 2.14.

The fit results from the analysis in [72] determine a maximum allowed value of \mathcal{CP} violation of $J_{\text{CP}}^{\text{max}} = 0.0329 \pm 0.0007 \left({}^{+0.0021}_{-0.0024} \right)$ at 1σ and (3σ) where this is expressed using the Jarlskog Invariant in eq. (2.43).

	Normal Ordering (best fit)		Inverted Ordering ($\Delta\chi^2 = 0.83$)		Any Ordering
	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	3σ range	bfp $\pm 1\sigma$	3σ range	3σ range
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	$0.306^{+0.012}_{-0.012}$	$0.271 \rightarrow 0.345$	$0.306^{+0.012}_{-0.012}$	$0.271 \rightarrow 0.345$	$0.271 \rightarrow 0.345$
$\theta_{12}/^\circ$	$33.56^{+0.77}_{-0.75}$	$31.38 \rightarrow 35.99$	$33.56^{+0.77}_{-0.75}$	$31.38 \rightarrow 35.99$	$31.38 \rightarrow 35.99$
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	$0.441^{+0.027}_{-0.021}$	$0.385 \rightarrow 0.635$	$0.587^{+0.020}_{-0.024}$	$0.393 \rightarrow 0.640$	$0.385 \rightarrow 0.638$
$\theta_{23}/^\circ$	$41.6^{+1.5}_{-1.2}$	$38.4 \rightarrow 52.8$	$50.0^{+1.1}_{-1.4}$	$38.8 \rightarrow 53.1$	$38.4 \rightarrow 53.0$
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	$0.02166^{+0.00075}_{-0.00075}$	$0.01934 \rightarrow 0.02392$	$0.02179^{+0.00076}_{-0.00076}$	$0.01953 \rightarrow 0.02408$	$0.01934 \rightarrow 0.02397$
$\theta_{13}/^\circ$	$8.46^{+0.15}_{-0.15}$	$7.99 \rightarrow 8.90$	$8.49^{+0.15}_{-0.15}$	$8.03 \rightarrow 8.93$	$7.99 \rightarrow 8.91$
$\delta_{\text{CP}}/^\circ$	261^{+51}_{-59}	$0 \rightarrow 360$	277^{+40}_{-46}	$145 \rightarrow 391$	$0 \rightarrow 360$
$\frac{\Delta m_{21}^2}{10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2}$	$7.50^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$	$7.03 \rightarrow 8.09$	$7.50^{+0.19}_{-0.17}$	$7.03 \rightarrow 8.09$	$7.03 \rightarrow 8.09$
$\frac{\Delta m_{3\ell}^2}{10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2}$	$+2.524^{+0.039}_{-0.040}$	$+2.407 \rightarrow +2.643$	$-2.514^{+0.038}_{-0.041}$	$-2.635 \rightarrow -2.399$	$\begin{bmatrix} +2.407 \rightarrow +2.643 \\ -2.629 \rightarrow -2.405 \end{bmatrix}$

Figure 2.13: Oscillation parameters for the three flavour case, from a global fit to data extant after NEUTRINO 2016 [74]. The numbers in the first two columns are relative to the local minimum for the ordering hypothesis, the third column minimises also with respect to the ordering. Reproduced from [72].

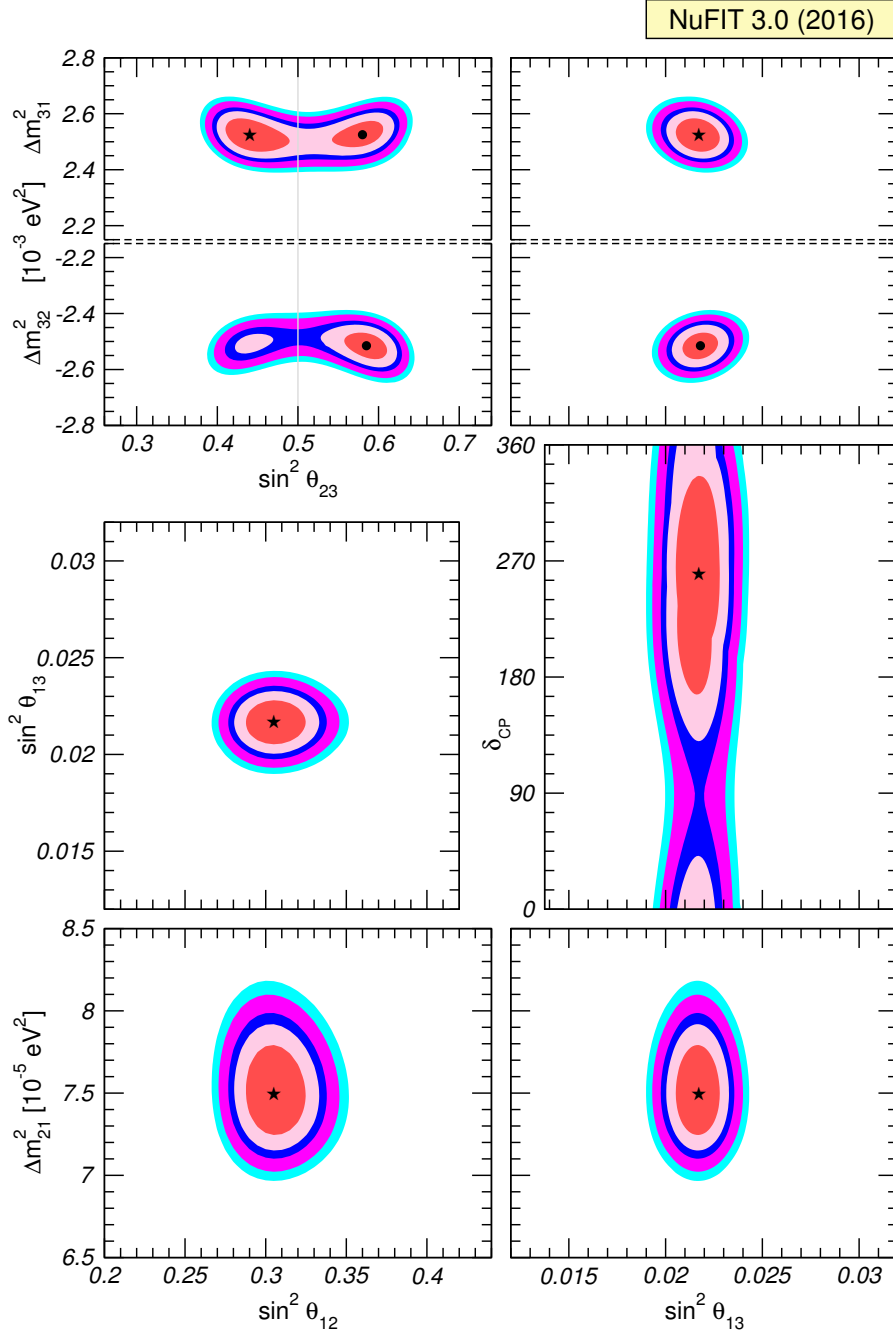


Figure 2.14: Global fit results from a 3 ν oscillation analysis reproduced from [72]. Each of the contours correspond to 1σ , 90 %, 2σ , 99 %, 3σ confidence levels, these are the result of marginalising the oscillation parameters not shown in the plot. Data from reactor experiments is used in the fits, including short <100 m baseline experiments. The atmospheric mass squared splitting uses Δm_{31}^2 for NO and Δm_{32}^2 for IO. The lower four plots are obtained from minimising $\Delta\chi^2$ with respect to the mass ordering.

At the time that the analysis described in chapter 5 together with validation studies were performed using the value for θ_{13} and its uncertainty derived from reactor experiments, the “reactor constraint” in the 2016 compilation of the Particle Data Group (PDG). Due

to time constraints it was not possible to reproduce the whole analysis with the, at the time, newly available PDG values for the reactor constraint.

3 T2K Experiment

The T2K long baseline neutrino experiment is made up of three primary constituent parts: the neutrino beam and parent proton beamline located in the Japan Proton Accelerator Research Centre (J-PARC), a ND280, and a far detector, Super-Kamiokande (Super-K). A neutrino beam, initially composed primarily of ν_μ , or $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, depending on the running mode, is produced at J-PARC by hadron decays resulting from proton interactions in a graphite target. The ND280 complex of detectors is located ~ 280 m from the target, where the first set of neutrino beam induced interactions are observed. The beam continues to propagate 295 km through Japan to Super-K where neutrino interactions are once again observed. The location of the detectors and the path that the beam takes is shown in fig. 3.1.

3.1 J-PARC Proton Accelerator and Neutrino Beam

The proton beam (which ultimately generates the neutrino beam) at J-PARC is created by a series of three accelerators: a Linear Accelerator (LINAC) and two synchrotrons, the Rapid-Cycling Synchrotron (RCS) and the Main Ring (MR), their arrangement at J-PARC is depicted in fig. 3.2. An initial beam of H^- ions are accelerated to 400 MeV in the LINAC, injected into the RCS where they are stripped of e^- and accelerated to 3 GeV. The RCS cycles at 25 Hz, and contains two proton bunches per cycle [76] which are injected into the MR. The MR accelerates the protons to 30 GeV, and achieved 470 kW in Run 8 (2017), with planned upgrades to reach its design power of 750 kW in 2018-2023 and eventually 1.3 MW beyond 2023 [77].

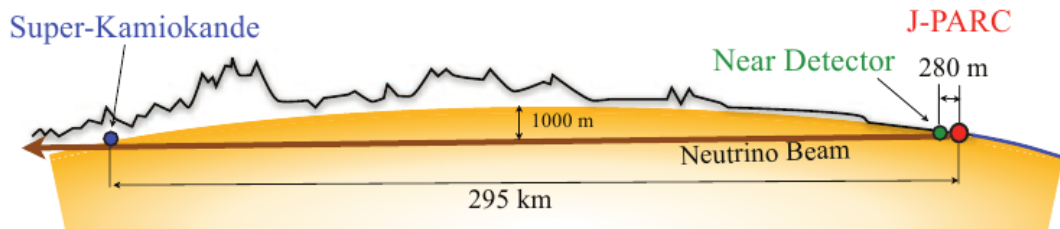


Figure 3.1: A diagrammatic overview of the T2K experiment near and far detector sites and path through Japan. Reproduced from [75]

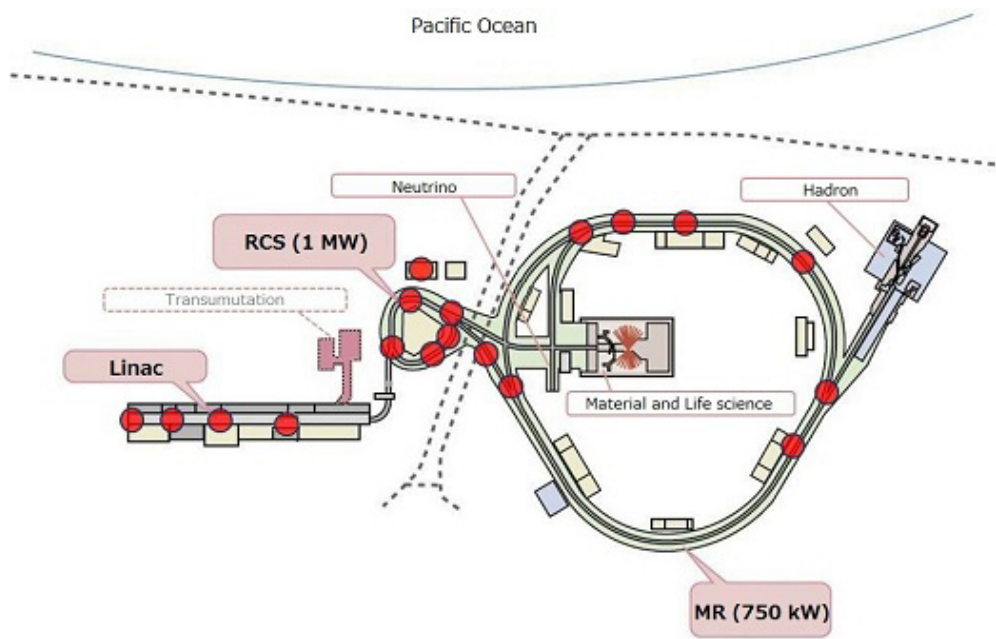


Figure 3.2: Diagram of the J-PARC proton beam accelerator facility showing the position on site of: the linear accelerator (LINAC), rapid cycling synchrotron (RCS), and the main ring (MR)— source JPARC public website

3.1.1 Primary Beamline

The proton bunches are extracted from MR to the neutrino beamline, which is composed of two sections as depicted in fig. 3.3. The primary section steers the proton beam towards Kamioka and allows for a range off-axis angles, 2–3°, with respect to Super-K and is operated at 2.5° or 43 mrad off-axis. Each beam spill extracted from the MR consists of an 8-bunch structure with 80 ns bunch width and 581 ns bucket length, which repeats every 2.48 s [77], see fig. 3.4..

The primary beamline is made up of an initial preparation section which contains 11

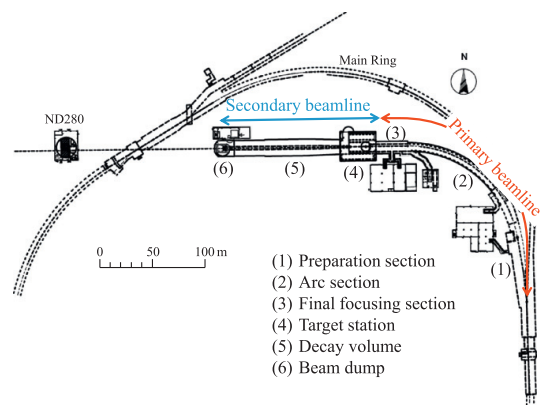


Figure 3.3: Schematic of the neutrino beam facility at J-PARC, marked “Neutrino” in fig. 3.2 detailing the dedicated beamline components for the neutrino beam production.

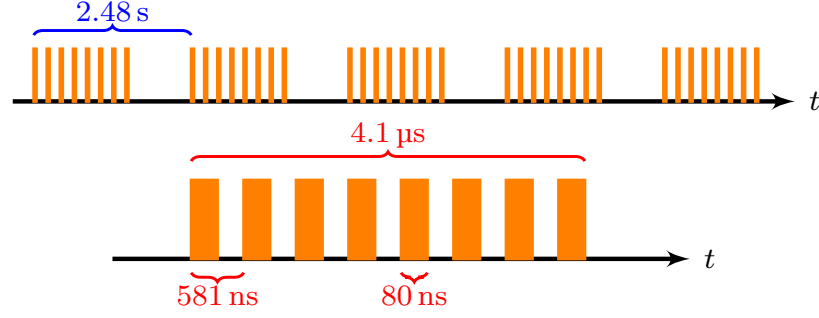


Figure 3.4: Beam bunch structure at T2K, showing the bunch repetition rate (top), and the bunch timing structure (bottom).

normal conducting magnets, a more strongly curved arc section with 28 superconducting combined function magnets (SCFMs) and a final focussing section with 10 conducting magnets. Following the beam through the described beamline sequence, these sections perform an initial bending and focussing of the proton beam from the MR and ready the beam for transport through the arc section. The arc section strongly deflects the beam towards Super-K, followed by fine adjustment of the beam's position, angle, and size at the target in the final focussing section. There are a series of instruments in the primary beamline which monitor beam intensity, loss, position and profile. Beam intensity is monitored by 5 current transformers (CTs), loss is instrumented by 50 beam loss monitors (BLMs), position is monitored by 21 electrostatic monitors (ESMs), 19 segmented secondary emission monitors (SSEMs) measure the beam profile during beam tuning. The beam intensity monitors are used to measure T2K's exposure, recorded in POT. Table 3.1 shows the exposures achieved in each T2K run period. A plot of the cumulative POT in each run period and the beam power can be seen in fig. 3.5.

	Period	Dates	POT $\times 10^{20}$
ν	Run 1	01/2010 – 06/2010	0.323
	Run 2	11/2010 – 04/2011	1.108
	Run 3	03/2012 – 06/2012	1.579
	Run 4	09/2012 – 05/2013	3.560
$\bar{\nu}$	Run 5	05/2014 – 06/2014	0.506
	Run 6	11/2014 – 06/2015	3.505
$\bar{\nu}$	Run 7	02/2016 – 05/2016	2.18
ν			1.12
ν	Run 8	10/2016 – 05/2017	7.170

Table 3.1: Table of run periods and exposure in protons on target at T2K, separated into neutrino and antineutrino running

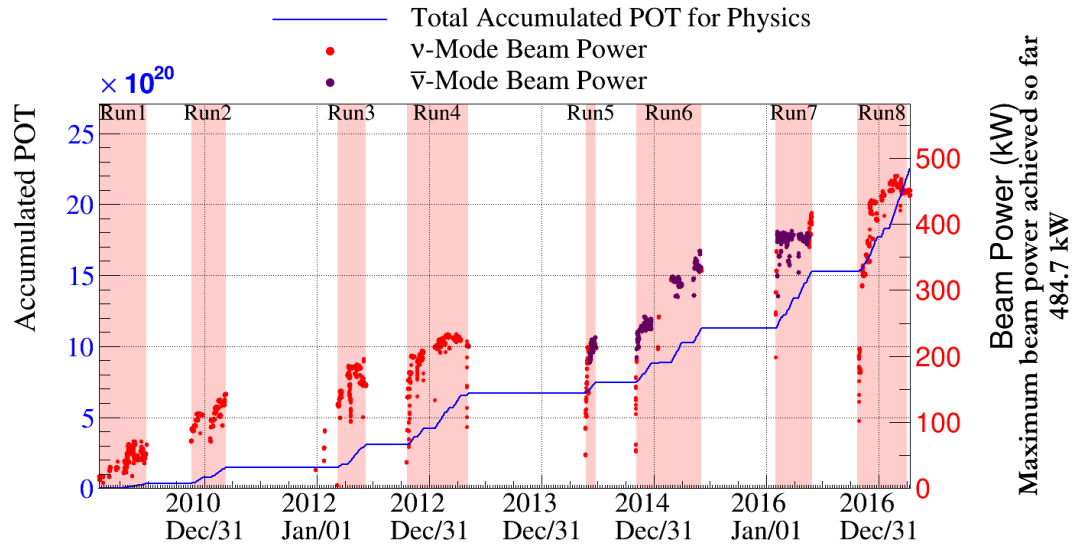


Figure 3.5: Cumulative delivered Protons On Target (POT) and beam power ν , and $\bar{\nu}$ for the T2K running periods considered in this thesis.

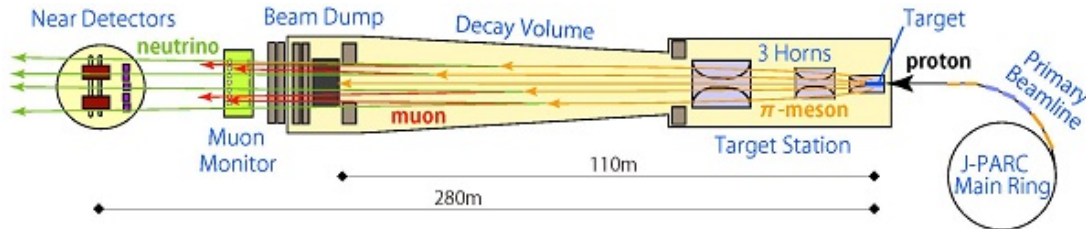


Figure 3.6: Schematic of the secondary neutrino beamline at J-PARC. The primary proton beam is shown impinging the target, the resulting hadrons are focussed by the horns. The hadrons and any decaying particles impinge on the beam dump, any muons passing through monitored by the muon monitor, neutrinos then interact with the detectors in the near pit. The target station section does not depict the carbon baffle located upstream of the target in the target station which collimates the proton beam

3.1.2 Secondary Beamline

The secondary beamline which is shown in fig. 3.6 consists of a baffle, target, focussing horns, decay volume, beam dump and two beam monitors. The target station contains a graphite baffle, which is 1.7 m long with a bore 30 mm in diameter which serves to collimate the beam. An optical transition monitor (OTR) [78] monitors the 30 GeV proton beam from the primary beam profile just before it strikes the target. The beam then interacts with the 91.4 cm, (1.9 interaction length, 85 % of protons interact) graphite target, producing primarily pions and kaons, this is further discussed in section 4.1. The particles are then focussed by the set of three magnetic focussing horns and propagate down a water cooled decay volume filled with helium to minimise pion absorption and the production of tritium and NO_x products. At the end of the decay volume particles impinge on the beam dump, and any particles which pass through the beam dump are monitored by the muon monitor.

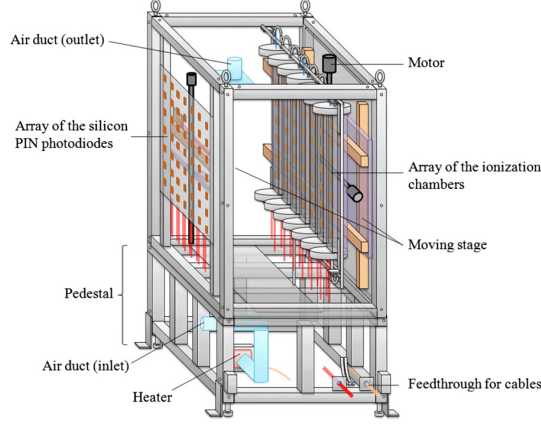


Figure 3.7: The Muon Monitor (MUMON) located after the beam dump designed to monitor the secondary beam. The incoming beam is incident on the left side of the detector, reproduced from [80]

The charged mesons resulting from the proton interaction with the graphite target are focussed by the previously mentioned system of three magnetic horns. Each of these consists of a pair of coaxial conductors, which generate a magnetic field of 2.1 T when at their design current of 320 kA, although are currently operated at 250 kA. The first horn serves to collect the generated mesons while the two downstream horns focus the mesons [79]. Depending on the direction of the current in the horns, termed either forward horn current (FHC) or reverse horn current (RHC), the neutrino beam composition can be primarily ν , in FHC mode or $\bar{\nu}$ in RHC mode. The analysis in this thesis is performed on data collected in both running modes. Further details on the composition of the beam can be found in section 4.1.

A beam dump consisting of 75 t of graphite sandwiched by iron plates, is located at the end of the ~ 96 m decay volume, and is designed to only allow muons with $p_\mu \gtrsim 5$ GeV to pass through and absorb most other remaining particles. The secondary beam is continuously monitored, bunch by bunch, after the beam dump, by a muon monitor (MUMON) [80]. This makes measurements of the beam profile using the arrangement shown in fig. 3.7 of 49 sensors in each of two detection technologies, a columnar arrangement of seven argon filled ionisation chambers each containing seven sensors, preceded by a seven by seven array of silicon PIN photodiodes. Using MUMON the beam direction is tuned to within the systematic error of 0.3 mrad [80].

3.1.3 Off-Axis Beam

Neutrino oscillation has a dependence on L/E_ν , where E_ν is the neutrino energy and L is the propagation length see section 2.4. This implies that a more sharply defined neutrino energy is desirable to observe a clear oscillation signal, due to the difficulty in reconstructing the interaction neutrino's energy. The approach taken at T2K is to use

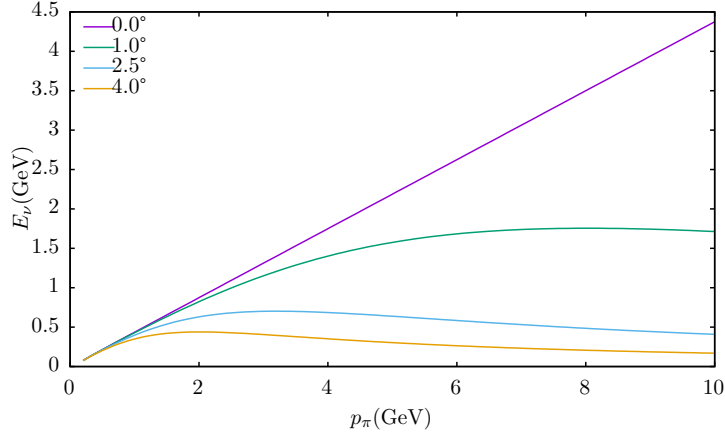


Figure 3.8: Neutrino energy vs pion momentum for several off-axis angles, θ_{OA} from eq. (3.1), including the 2.5° T2K operating angle.

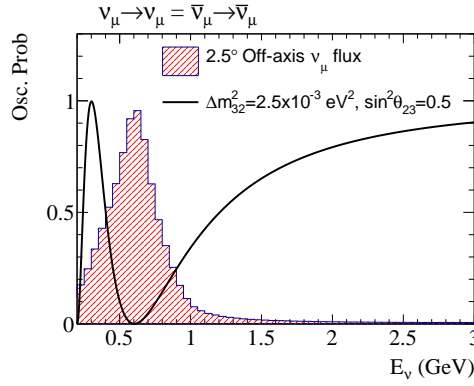


Figure 3.9: Oscillation probability for $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu)$ overlaid with the flux for the T2K experiment at Super-Kamiokande.

the angular dependence of pion (and other mesons) decay to select the desired neutrino energy .

$$E_\nu = \frac{m_\pi^2 - m_\mu^2}{2(E_\pi - p_\pi \cos \theta_{\text{OA}})} \quad (3.1)$$

where $m_{\pi,\mu}$ are the masses of the pion and muon respectively, E_π is the energy and p_π is the momentum of the pion and θ_{OA} is the angle from the pion momentum vector, following from the proposal in [81]. When the off axis angle increases the contribution that the momentum term makes to the denominator decreases, which flattens the variation in neutrino energy. This results in a peaked neutrino energy distribution fig. 3.8, where the energy can be selected by variation of the off-axis angle. The 2.5° (or 43.63 mrad) angle that is chosen for T2K gives a peak neutrino flux energy of 0.6 GeV, see fig. 3.9 which corresponds to the location of the first oscillation maximum for ν_μ disappearance at Super-K, the corresponding probabilities for $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ appearance are shown in fig. 3.10. A discussion of how the flux prediction is generated can be found in section 4.1, and the flux composition for FHC and RHC modes for each flavour in fig. 4.6.

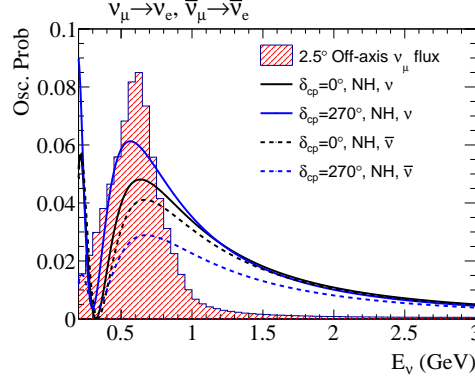


Figure 3.10: Oscillation probability for $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$ and $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$ overlaid with the flux for the T2K experiment at Super-Kamiokande, showing the \mathcal{CP} conserving value of 0° and the maximally violating value 270° , for Normal Hierarchy.

3.2 Near Detector Complex

The T2K near detectors are a heterogeneous set of detectors designed in order to satisfy a number of physics goals, including the measurement of long baseline and to a lesser extent short baseline neutrino oscillations. A precise determination of the energy spectrum and flavour composition of the neutrino beam is required for the measurement of neutrino oscillations. The primary physics goal is the precise characterisation of the unoscillated neutrino flux and the measurement of cross sections, for which a number of different sub detectors are used [75], the arrangement of the detector is illustrated in fig. 3.11.

After the beam has travelled through the muon monitor it passes through the soil/sand at J-PARC towards a site which is located 280 m from the target. This site contains a number of detectors, of which the primary detector is a magnetised tracking detector known as ND280, located 2.5° off-axis. This detector consists of a number of subdetectors contained within a dipole magnet from the UA1 experiment [82], which operates at 0.2 T. The magnet flux return yokes are composed of 16 iron plates separated by air gaps whose three innermost gaps are populated with scintillator slabs threaded with wavelength shifting (WLS) fibre of radius 1 mm matched to Multi Pixel Photon Counter (MPPC) of dimension $1.3 \times 1.3 \text{ mm}^2$ developed specially for the T2K experiment [83]. The scintillator plates inserted in the magnet make up the Side Muon Range Detector (SMRD). The SMRD is designed so that areas where lower energy loss are expected due to the detector material composition are more heavily instrumented [84]. The previously described detection technology of scintillator bars threaded with WLS fibres readout by MPPCs are used extensively throughout the detector, due the MPPCs insensitivity to the detector's magnetic field. Inside the magnet solenoid coil a number of electromagnetic calorimeters (ECals) surround the innermost portions of the detector, these are designed to detect γ -rays and any other electromagnetic radiation not converted in the inner detector. The upstream portion of the detector consists of a π^0 detector (PØD), and downstream of this is the tracking portion of the detector which is an alternating stack

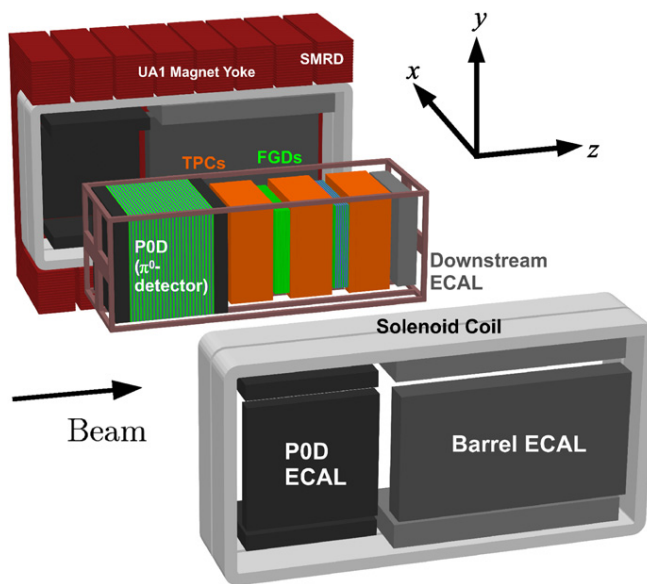


Figure 3.11: ND280 off axis constituent detectors, PØD, Ecals, FGDs, TPCs, magnet solenoid coil, and SMRD, within the UA1 magnet – reproduced from [75]

of three time projection chambers (TPCs) and two fine grained detectors (FGDs), an event display from the tracker region is shown in fig. 3.12.

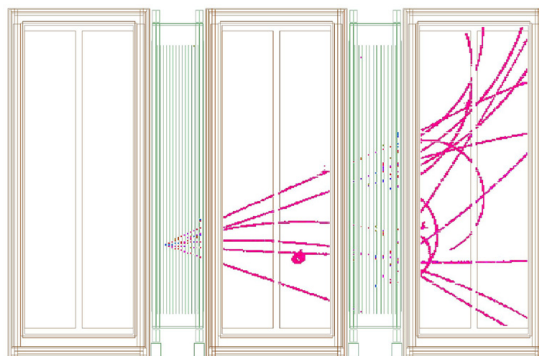


Figure 3.12: An event display from the tracker region of ND280 showing a possible deep inelastic scatter originating in FGD1, figure reproduced from [85]

A separate modular cross shaped detector located on the beam axis made up of iron and scintillator planes, Interactive Neutrino GRID (INGRID), is also housed in the same pit as the primary ND280 detector. The cross shape of the detector spans the beam and makes measurements of the neutrino beam profile.

3.2.1 ND280 Detector

3.2.1.1 Pi-zero Detector (PØD)

The π^0 detector (PØD) is instrumented by triangular scintillator bars in perpendicular x and y views with WLS fibres read out by MPPCs. These bars are 2133 mm long vertically and 2272 mm horizontally. The scintillator planes are interleaved with stainless steel clad lead sheets (4.5 mm thick) in two ECal sections which are upstream and downstream of a water target section. The water target section is divided into an upstream section and a central section, this section is composed of high density polyethylene (HDPE) water bags and brass sheets as targets. The primary objective of this water filled section is to measure the neutral current process $\nu_\mu + N \rightarrow \nu_\mu + N + \pi^0 + X$ on the same nuclear target and with same neutrino beam as at Super-K [86]. The (PØD) detector can operate with (15 800 kg) or without water (12 900 kg) in the HDPE bags, and can determine the rate on water by using the difference in these two configurations.

3.2.1.2 Fine Grained Detectors (FGDs)

The two FGDs, FGD1 and FGD2, provide a neutrino interaction target mass and the tracking of charged particles originating from the interaction. Short-ranged particles are important in identifying the type of neutrino interaction, and the granularity of the FGDs is such that the tracks and their direction from the interaction can be resolved. The FGDs differ in composition: FGD1 is composed of 30 layers of 9.6×9.6 mm scintillator bars alternately oriented in x and y directions transverse to the beam and bonded together into 15 “ xy ” modules of dimensions $186.4 \times 186.4 \times 2.02$ cm, FGD2 has seven scintillator xy modules alternating with total of 6, 2.5 cm thick layers of water making up 42 % of the FGD mass, contained in hollow corrugated polycarbonate panels [85]. As will be discussed in section 3.3.1, any particles that are detected at Super-K have to be above an energy threshold for detection, this means that hadrons are often invisible. The FGDs are used to characterise these and other irreducible backgrounds. The FGDs work in conjunction with the TPCs (section 3.2.1.3) they are thin enough so that charged leptons can leave tracks in the TPCs, their particle identification can discriminate between protons and muons or pions, and measure short ranged particles.

Constraints from both FGD1 and FGD2 are used in this thesis and are the only targets at the near detector that are used in this thesis. The inclusion of FGD2 allows constraints on the neutrino oxygen cross section parameters to be imposed, see section 4.3, and is essential for the prediction of events at Super-K. A fiducial mass 1100 kg of CH_2 makes up FGD1 and the described structure of CH_2 and H_2O in FGD2 with a target mass of water 579 kg, the remainder CH_2 as in FGD1. The composition of the water filled panels in FGD2 is designed so that it nearly matches that of a mixture of water and

scintillator allowing for interactions on water to be determined by subtraction of the rates in the two FGDs. The speed dependent nature of energy deposition in the FGD is exploited for particle identification. The energy deposition for a particular track range has a different form for the protons, muons and pions that are produced in interactions, the expectation from MC and data are shown in fig. 3.13.

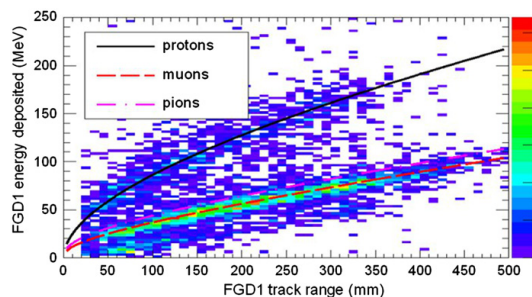


Figure 3.13: Track range and energy deposition in FGD1, for stopping particles. Data collected in neutrino beam running mode, and the curves show MC expectations for protons, muons and pions

3.2.1.3 Time Projection Chambers (TPCs)

The three identical time projection chambers (TPCs) are filled with a gas mixture of argon, tetrafluoromethane, and isobutane, $\text{Ar}:\text{CF}_4:\text{iC}_4\text{H}_{10}$ in a ratio (95:3:2), this drift volume is surrounded a CO_2 filled insulating volume. A central cathode divides the drift volume which is of dimensions $1808 \times 2230 \times 854$ mm, the active tracking length in the volume is 720 mm. The 12 micromegas modules are arranged in two staggered columns so that the inactive regions are not aligned.

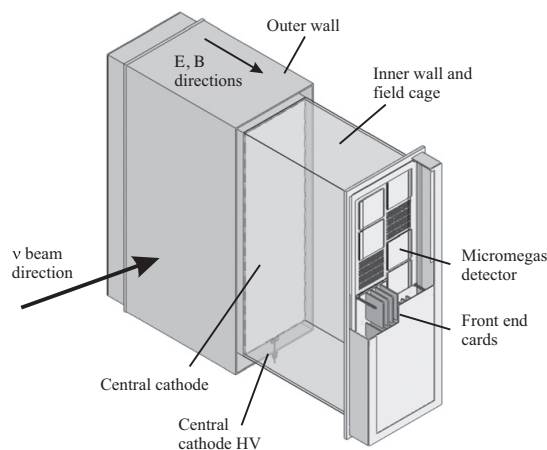


Figure 3.14: A cutaway diagram of a TPC module showing the arrangement of the micromegas detectors and the central cathode and nested structure of the two gas volumes.

Using the electric field from the inner volume and the magnetic field, which are roughly

aligned, charged particles are deflected and their momentum can be inferred. The ionisation electrons produced by the particles are readout by the micromegas detectors. Combining information from the energy deposition of a particle with its measured momenta allows for the identification of particle in the TPC, measurements for positively charged particles and MC expectations are shown in fig. 3.15. The requirements for energy loss in order to perform this identification are better than 10 % with a measured resolution of $(7.8 \pm 0.2) \%$, and a momentum resolution better than $0.1 p_{\perp} > \delta p_{\perp} / p_{\perp} \text{ GeV}$

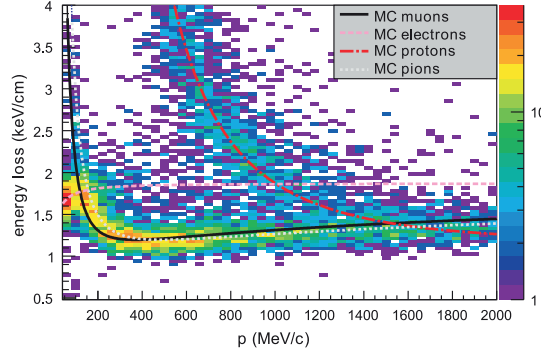


Figure 3.15: Measured energy loss distributions as a function of the particle momentum in the TPCs compared with the plotted MC expectations for the particle.

3.2.1.4 Electromagnetic Calorimeters (ECals)

The Electromagnetic Calorimeter (ECal) uses layers of rectangular scintillator bars (dimensions $186.4 \times 186.4 \times 2.02 \text{ cm}$) alternately oriented in the x and y directions, containing WLS fibres, with lead absorber sheets between the scintillator layers. The three submodules of the ECal surround the inner detectors. The PØD ECal surrounds the PØD, the Barrel ECal surrounds the TPC and FGD tracking region and the downstream ECal is located after the final TPC in the beamline. The ECal detects, identifies, and measures the energy of charged particles which interact in the scintillator and from which tracks in the detector can be reconstructed [87]. The PØD, described in section 3.2.1.1, allows for reconstruction of the resulting electromagnetic showers from neutral pion decay and the PØD-ECal tags the escaping energy, provides separation between photons and muons, and a veto for events originating outside the PØD. Without the requirement of electromagnetic shower reconstruction the composition differs from the remaining Ecals with each of the PØD Ecals providing 4.9 radiation lengths of material. The remaining Ecals, known as the tracker-Ecal, provide detailed reconstruction of the electromagnetic showers from interactions that originate in the tracker region. Shower reconstruction complements the TPCs and FGDs by measurement of neutral particle energies and also by providing information on the presence of π^0 and potentially reconstructing the energy of the π^0 , this is accomplished by having at least 10 electron radiation lengths of material in order to contain the photon initiated showers resulting from π^0 decays.

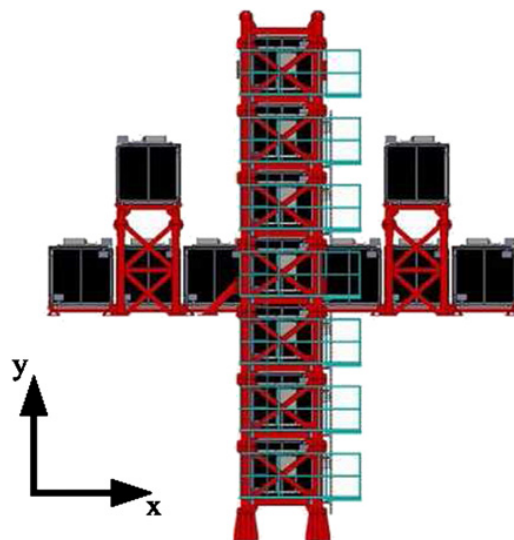


Figure 3.16: Diagram of the INGRID on axis detector – reproduced from [75]

3.2.2 Interactive Neutrino GRID (INGRID)

The Interactive Neutrino GRID (INGRID), is an on-axis neutrino detector which is designed to measure the beam centre, it does this by measuring neutrino interactions on 9 sheets of iron and 11 sheets of the same scintillator and MPPCs as the previously described detectors. Using the statistics collected, the beam centre is measured with a precision <10 cm, corresponding to a 0.4 mrad precision per day. The detector is arranged in a cross pattern consisting of 14 modules in a cross pattern and two outside this pattern see fig. 3.16 which measure the beam's axial symmetry[88]. The supplementary proton module, which has finer scintillator bars, in order to improve tracking, and no iron planes, is designed to detect the muons and protons due to neutrino beam interactions.

3.3 Super-Kamiokande Far Detector

The far detector, Super-Kamiokande is a water Cherenkov detector located in a mine below a mountain called Ikenoyama in the Japanese Gifu prefecture fig. 3.17. The detector has 1000 m overburden of rock or 2700 m-water-equivalent (m.w.e.), and muons with energies less than 1.3 TeV cannot reach this depth. Super-K was designed to search for proton decay, and to perform studies of neutrinos from several astrophysical sources, supernovae, gamma ray bursts, the Sun, atmospheric neutrinos and accelerator based beams. SK consists of a stainless steel tank containing 50 kt of water which is continually purified to maintain high optical clarity and to reduce radioactive backgrounds. The tank is separated into two optical regions the outer detector (OD) and inner detector (ID). The ID and OD are separated by a stainless steel frame, the ID is instrumented with 11 146 photomultiplier tubes (PMTs) which corresponds to 40 % coverage fig. 3.18.

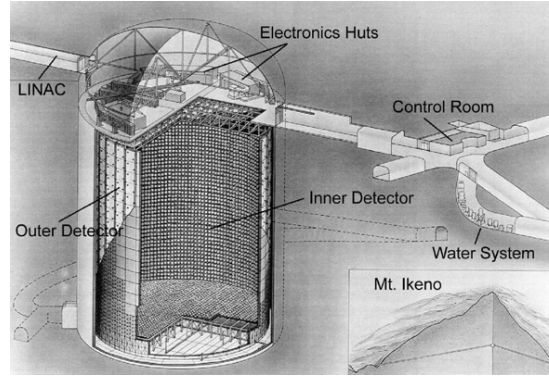


Figure 3.17: Super-Kamiokande Detector, location within the mine complex – reproduced from [89]

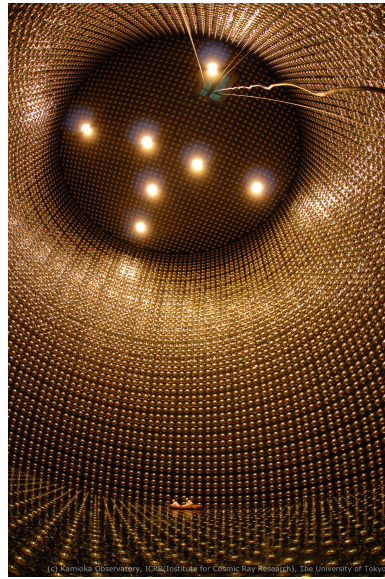


Figure 3.18: Super-Kamiokande, view of the inner detector partly filled with water, reproduced from the SuperK public website

The OD is more sparsely instrumented and used to veto events, with 1185 PMTs facing outward on the separating frame. The OD PMTs are mounted to acrylic plates and the OD itself is lined with a reflective material in order to increase light collection.

3.3.1 Super-Kamiokande Event Reconstruction

The Cherenkov effect is exploited in Super-K to detect interacting particles. The emitted Cherenkov light resulting from a charged particle propagating through the water is incident on the PMTs in the detector, detected light is shown in fig. 3.20. The conditions for Cherenkov emission are that the particle velocity exceed the phase velocity of light in the medium, c/n , where n is the refractive index of the medium, $n \approx 1.33$ for water. At this velocity a non zero dipole moment in the region around the charge will be induced, the energy deposited in the dipole is emitted as Cherenkov light in a cone at a

characteristic angle, θ from the particle's direction vector,

$$\cos \theta = \frac{1}{\beta n}. \quad (3.2)$$

Where $\beta = v/c$, and v is the particle velocity [90]. With the given value for n in water the threshold for Cherenkov emission is $\beta = 0.75$. Due to the interaction kinematics and the energy that is available in the neutrino beam, the more massive hadrons and nuclei are not usually above threshold. A proton requires a momentum of 1.064 GeV, pions require 158 MeV, they can also be detected by the subsequent Michel decay electron tagging, if below threshold. The leptons that result from the interaction have momenta thresholds of 120 MeV for muons and 0.57 MeV for electrons.

This analysis uses the fiTQun reconstruction algorithm [91, 92]. The fiTQun algorithm has been used in previous analyses to reduce the NC π^0 background, and in this analysis is used to perform the selection of all the samples including a sample which observes the hadronic component of the system, in a ν_e CC $1\pi^+$ reaction, in addition to the charged current quasielastic (CCQE) samples that have been used for previous analyses see section 4.4.1 for further details. This algorithm also uses an expanded fiducial volume, determined using two variables which determine the distance to the walls of the inner detector, further details are in section 4.4 and the variables are depicted in fig. 4.27. The previously employed APFit algorithm uses an approach made up of various stages. A vertex fitting stage based on the difference between the photon arrival time and the time of flight is made, this is followed by a search for ring candidates using a Hough transformation [93], the contribution from other rings is subtracted in subsequent ring search stages. The identified rings are then classified in a particle identification (PID) stage, depending on whether they are showering or non showering using a likelihood function. Rings are then separated using the vertex position and direction to generate a predicted hit pattern on the PMTs. The particle momentum is then estimated by using the sum of the PMT hits that are detected for a particular ring within a 70° half opening angle from the particle direction vector [94].

FiTQun is based on a likelihood function approach using charge and time information from hit PMTs for each event. This likelihood aims to reconstruct the particle kinematics based on track variables, and compares the global maximum of likelihood for the hypothesis of higher multiplicity of numbers of tracks and in a similar way compares the likelihood ratio for different particles, with a revisited specific π^0 fit. It provides previously unavailable reconstruction and identification facilities for π^\pm , K^\pm and p , which are employed for the additional electron-like sample containing a π^+ .

Particle identification is included in the fiTQun likelihood by a function which contains the Cherenkov emission profile as a function of momentum, angle, and track length for a range of particles. The showers that are generated by electrons have broader angular emission distributions, which result in “fuzzy” cones [91]. The electron-like

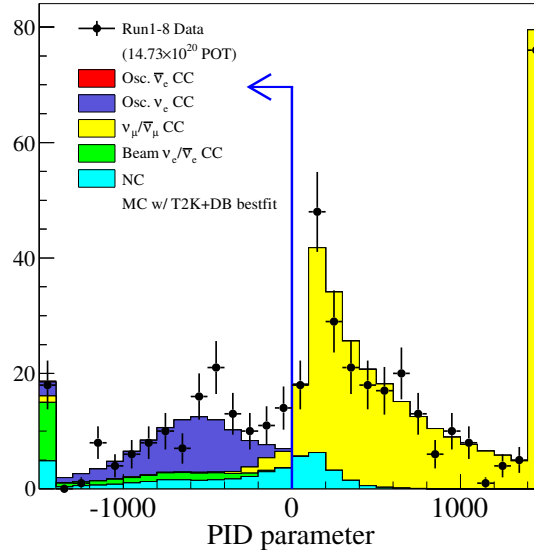


Figure 3.19: fitTQun PID distribution selecting between electron and muon like interactions with cut location – reproduced from [95]

particle identification (PID) cut for the ν_e sample is shown in fig. 3.19. As previously discussed the peak energy of the T2K beam lies at 0.6 GeV, this results in CCQE interactions making up the bulk of the signal with a smaller contribution coming from pion production channels. Measurements of channels with hadronic systems need to have the components above threshold in order to be measured. Studies of the data-MC difference in the stopping muon sample indicate that that largest difference between the vertex position is of the order of 1.5 cm in the fitTQun algorithm vs 5 cm as extracted by APFit. The energy scale was evaluated using APFit, unlike the rest of the analysis, at the time of the analysis no tuning was available for fitTQun which showed a larger uncertainty, hence the choice of the well understood APFit result.

3.4 Physics Results

The initial ν_μ character of the neutrino beam that is produced at T2K allows for better measurements of oscillation parameters accessible at the beam energy. The two detector setup and initial running in FHC mode, is suited to $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu)$, muon neutrino disappearance, and with sufficient statistics $P(\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e)$ electron neutrino appearance. The disappearance of ν_μ allows access to the parameters $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ and $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$, whilst θ_{13} can be measured through ν_e appearance. Indications of ν_e appearance, and the first measurement of a θ_{13} angle inconsistent with zero [96] were followed by the measurement of electron neutrino appearance with a significance of 7.3σ [97]. Measurements of $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ disappearance have been made finding agreement with the parameters for ν_μ [98]. Transformations under \mathcal{CP} of the previous channels can be combined to measure the $\delta_{\mathcal{CP}}$ phase [99]. The current thesis aims to better characterise the phase of $\delta_{\mathcal{CP}}$ in addition

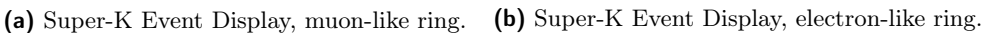


Figure 3.20: Super-K Event Displays for (a) μ -like, (b) e -like, (c) e -like with 1 decay electron. The coloured dots represent the charge measured by a PMT located on the inside of the detector, the figure in the upper right is the corresponding plot for the OD. reproduced from [95]

to measurements of the oscillation parameters from the disappearance and appearance channels.

A search for non-standard oscillations has been made using ND280 for indications of ν_e disappearance at short baseline [100]. A search for Lorentz Violation using INGRID based on sidereal time event rate variations indicates that any symmetry violations are suppressed by 1×10^{20} in the GeV region [101].

The composition of the near detector allows for the measurement of neutrino cross sections on many targets, and publications of these cross sections for the regions of phase space that T2K can access have been published. A selection of these measurements ν_μ charged current single pion production on water [102] a flux-averaged cross section measurement for charged current coherent π^+ production on carbon for neutrino energies less than 1.5 GeV in the phase space of ND280 [103], charged current inclusive cross section induced by ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ on carbon, oxygen, hydrogen and copper [104], ν_μ on water without pions in the final state [105]. Single pion production in neutral current interactions on water has been measured [106], this is an important background to characterise since it forms an irreducible background to ν_e appearance. Better measurements of the interaction cross sections allow for a reduction in uncertainty in the observed event rates.

3.5 Future Developments and Physics Goals/Sensitivity

The original proposal which decided the final exposure of the T2K experiment was determined prior to the experimental result that the mixing angle θ_{13} , is large [107, 108, 109]. In the case of a large θ_{13} , systematic uncertainties are not dominant and increased statistics can improve the experimental sensitivity to exclude values of δ_{CP} at the 3σ level. As a result an extension of the running time to reach 20×10^{21} POT is proposed, known as T2K-II [110] with sensitivities for the oscillation parameters $|\Delta m_{32}^2|, \sin^2 \theta_{23}$ shown in fig. 3.21, and δ_{CP} fig. 3.22.

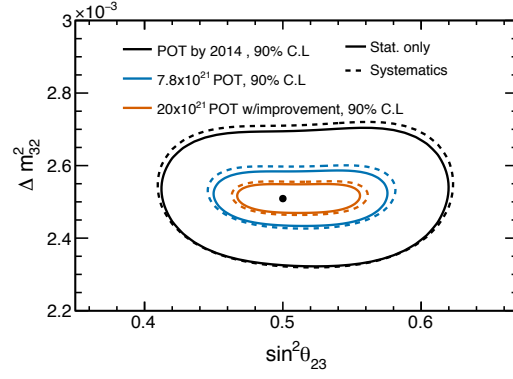


Figure 3.21: T2K-II sensitivity for the parameter space $|\Delta m_{32}^2|, \sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with total exposure of 20×10^{21} POT, assuming that the true value of $\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.5$, in the scenarios that that the evaluation of the systematic errors in the experiment remain the same or are improved to the order of 4% – reproduced from [110].

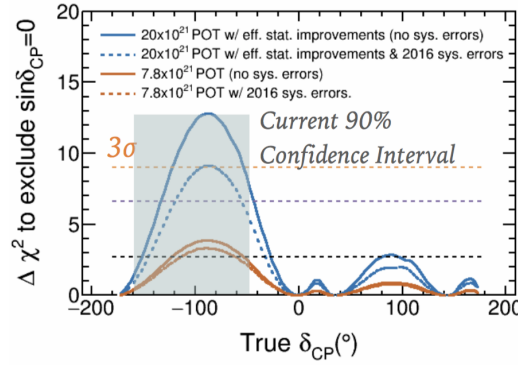


Figure 3.22: T2K-II sensitivity with total exposure of 20×10^{21} POT, assuming that the mass hierarchy is unknown as a function of δ_{CP} – reproduced from [111]

Gadolinium “doping” of Super-Kamiokande has been approved by both the T2K and Super-K collaborations. The addition of gadolinium at the level of 0.2% in the form of a salt allows >90% of thermalised neutrons to be captured by the gadolinium atom resulting in the emission of an 8 MeV γ cascade which allows detection by coincidence and discrimination between ν and $\bar{\nu}$ [112] allowing for the reduction of background in the measurement of δ_{CP} . Information about the final hadronic state will be gained from the ability to detect delayed neutron captures, and the ability to measure neutral current channels [113]. A 200 t prototype water Cherenkov detector has been run with the described 0.2% gadolinium loading and experimental measurements of the neutron capture efficiency have been made with good agreement to simulation [114].

4 T2K Oscillation Analysis Inputs

The oscillation analysis which is described in chapter 5 depends on a variety of inputs which feed into the analysis as illustrated in fig. 4.1. A flux prediction is made based on simulation of the initial proton beam and the subsequent hadron production which results in a neutrino beam, this is tuned on external data and is described in section 4.1. A cross-section model is used which describes neutrino interactions in the ~ 1 GeV region section 4.2, this is tuned on bubble chamber data. Event selections at ND280 are used to tune the flux and cross section parameters of the previous two models, via a fit, performed by Beam And Near Detector Task Force (BANFF) and MaCh3 (MaCh3) to those data sets section 4.3. Any correlated uncertainties are propagated to Super-K, and the covariance matrix that is obtained is used in the oscillation fits. Events are selected at Super-K in section 4.4 with event reconstruction based on: lepton kinematics approximating the CCQE interaction for the single ring samples, and on the production of a Δ resonance for the ν_e CC1 π^+ sample. A new Super-K event reconstruction algorithm known as fitQun, previously described in section 3.3.1, is further described in section 4.5 along with the procedure for evaluating the systematic uncertainties on these samples. A table of the versions of the software that are used in this thesis are listed in table 4.1.

4.1 Neutrino Flux Prediction

The neutrino flux is predicted by tracking the initial proton beam through the secondary beamline, and follows the produced secondary hadrons through the horns and allows for and tracks any tertiary hadron production. Finally the neutrinos resulting from hadronic decays whose direction vectors pass through the near and far detectors are passed to subsequent steps of the simulation. Energy thresholds for particle tracking are used, after which decays are forced using branching ratio information: 0.1 GeV for tracking hadrons and muons, and 1.0 GeV for gammas and electrons, with an additional

Input	Version
JNUBEAM flux	13av2
NEUT	5.3.2
SKDETSIM	v13p90
Super-K Software and MC	14a
fitQun	v4r0
APFit	14c
Super-K FSI Systematics	FSIFitter (TN-325)

Table 4.1: Versions of the software used in the inputs to the oscillation analysis

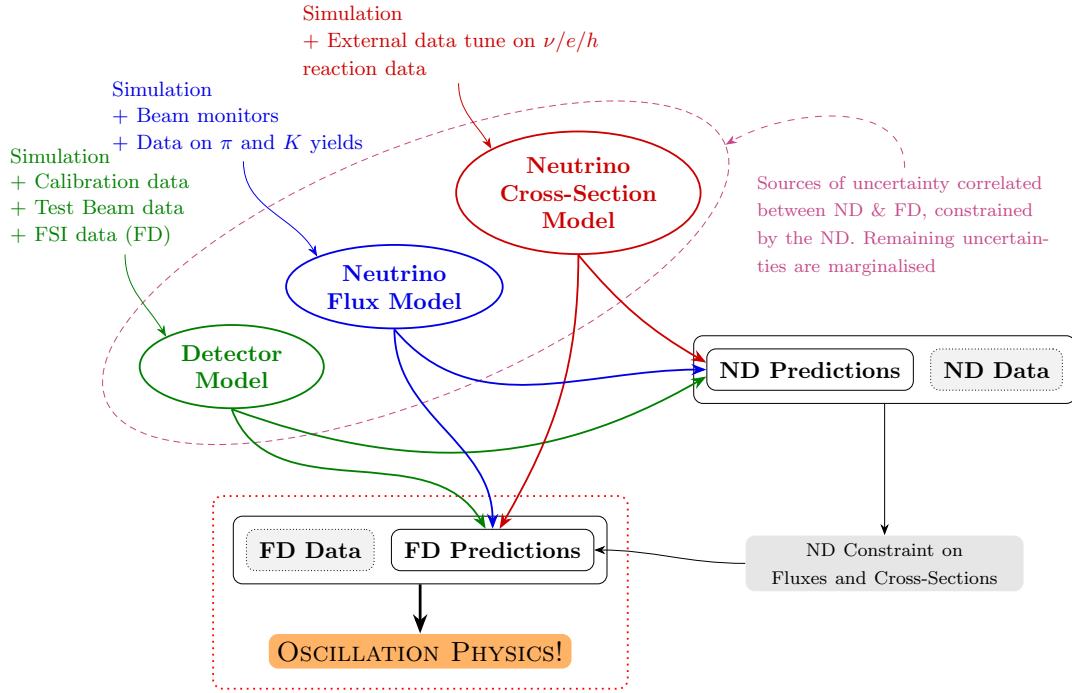


Figure 4.1: Inputs used in the oscillation analysis, categorised into flux, detector and cross section model. NEUT MC is used to simulate the neutrino cross-section model. The flux model is made up of several software packages, and the detector models are handled differently for both the near and far detectors. The red dashed box contains the work which is original to this thesis.

threshold of 1.0 GeV downstream of the beam dump for neutral hadrons and muons. Measurements of the beam characterising its profile and intensity are used together with measurements of the horn magnetic field and external measurements of hadron production to tune the simulation.

Hadron production and the associated decay channels ultimately determine the neutrino flux that is seen at the near and far detectors. Various hadron production channels from proton carbon collisions exist, and the contribution of each channel via branching ratio best knowledge [71] along with form factors and decay modes is considered in the flux prediction. Data from an external experiment, NA61, is used to tune the probabilities of producing various hadrons in bins of longitudinal and transverse momentum.

Proton interactions in the graphite target are simulated by using the FLUKA2011 code [115, 116] and in particular version FLUKA 2011.2c.3 [117] to simulate the interactions in the target followed by JNUBEAM (which is based on GEANT3)[118] to track the particles outside the target and the decay to neutrinos. Outside the target GCALOR [119, 120] simulates the hadronic interactions. This initial flux prediction is then tuned using both T2K data from ND280 and data from the NA61/SHINE (SPS Heavy Ion and Neutrino Experiment) at CERN [121] which has measured the hadron production on a thin target [122, 123, 124] and a replica T2K target [125, 126]. The neutrino tracks that are produced as a result of the simulation are extrapolated to both the near and

far detectors, to obtain the respective fluxes and energy spectra. These tracks are forced to point in the direction of the far detector or a random point in the near detector, with a corresponding weight, in order to save computation time.

The neutrino flux and energy spectra depend on the kinematics of the parent pions and kaons, which need to be accurately simulated in order to determine the neutrino flux which reaches the near and far detectors and participates in interactions. The off-axis E_ν technique limits the uncertainty originating from the parent pion spectrum. The hadronic interactions that contribute to the flux at Super-K are used to select the data that is used for tuning. The previously described interactions consist of: π^\pm , K^\pm , K^0 , Λ production from the primary proton interaction, $p(n)$ production from both primary and secondary protons, π^\pm production from secondary nucleons and from incident π^\pm originating inside and outside of the target. The decay modes that produce neutrinos are listed in table 4.2, and are used along with the best knowledge of their branching ratios, and feed-down from strange particle decays K^0 and Λ .

Particle	Decay Products
π^+	$\rightarrow \nu_\mu \mu^+$ $\rightarrow \nu_e e^+$
K^+	$\rightarrow \nu_\mu \mu^+$ $\rightarrow \nu_\mu \pi^0 \mu^+$ $\rightarrow \nu_e \pi^0 e^+$
K_L^0	$\rightarrow \nu_\mu \pi^\mp + \mu^\pm$ $\rightarrow \nu_e \pi^\mp + e^\pm$
μ^+	$\rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu \nu_e e^+$
(Λ)	$\rightarrow p \pi^-$
(K_S^0)	$\rightarrow \pi^+ \pi^-$

Table 4.2: Decay modes considered in the neutrino flux prediction, the antiparticle versions of the decays are also considered in the flux prediction but are not listed here for conciseness. The feed-down from the strange particle decays K_S^0 and Λ are also considered.

The target materials that are considered in the flux tuning are carbon, which makes up the target and beam dump, the aluminium which composes the focussing horns and the iron which makes up the decay volume walls. Data is used to tune the interactions [127] and set systematic uncertainties that happen on the target materials which are simulated, which include Al, Cu and Ti. The flux is tuned via two weights, one for the probability of an interaction producing a secondary hadron W_1 , and the second for the multiplicity of the final state in a double differential distribution W_2 . The final weights as a function of energy for each neutrino species and each running mode are shown in

fig. 4.2. The first set of weights W_1 ,

$$W_1 = \frac{\sigma_p^{\text{data}}(p_{\text{in}}, A)}{\sigma_p^{\text{MC}}(p_{\text{in}}, A)} \times \exp(-\rho d_0 [\sigma_p^{\text{data}}(p_{\text{in}}, A) - \sigma_p^{\text{MC}}(p_{\text{in}}, A)]) \times \exp(-\rho d_1 [\sigma_p^{\text{data}}(p_{\text{out}}, A) - \sigma_p^{\text{MC}}(p_{\text{out}}, A)]), \quad (4.1)$$

where the secondary hadron production probability for an incoming proton, with momentum p_{in} which travels a distance d_0 before interacting in the medium of density ρ , and atomic number, A , depends on the production cross sections, σ_p^{MC} and σ_p^{data} which are momentum and atomic mass dependent, for Monte Carlo and data respectively. The production cross section is defined as $\sigma_p = \sigma_{\text{inel}} - \sigma_{\text{qe}}$. A particle of momentum p_{out} is created and travels a distance d_1 in the medium.

The second set of weights, W_2 that are calculated account for the multiplicity of the hadrons after the primary interaction

$$\frac{d^2 n(p, \theta)}{dp d\theta} = \frac{1}{\sigma_{\text{prod}}} \frac{d^2 \sigma(p, \theta)}{dp d\theta}, \quad (4.2)$$

$$W_2(p, \theta) = \left[\frac{d^2 n(p, \theta)}{dp d\theta} \right]_{\text{data}} / \left[\frac{d^2 n(p, \theta)}{dp d\theta} \right]_{\text{MC}}, \quad (4.3)$$

the double differential production weight eq. (4.2) is dependent on the momentum and the angle, θ relative to the incident particle. For the primary interaction eq. (4.3) can be constructed easily since the T2K beam and the NA61 data occupy the same phase space, as shown in figs. 4.4 and 4.5, for tertiary pion production extrapolation from the data is required. The extrapolation is required for the lower nucleon momenta and the interaction on the aluminium horn. A total weight for a particular neutrino is then the product of W_1 and W_2 for a particular ancestor particle.

The motivation of NA61/SHINE is to study the final hadronic states that are produced from several different beam particles that are available at the Super Proton Synchrotron (SPS), interacting on a variety of targets. Germane to this thesis are measurements which will improve the simulation of the neutrino beam produced as a result of the proton carbon interaction. The proton beam energy run at SPS is 31 GeV, which as described in section 3.1.1 is a near match to the 30 GeV run at T2K.

The NA61 detector, depicted in fig. 4.3, consists of 5 time projection chambers, and three time of flight (ToF) detectors. There is also a forward calorimeter Particle Spectator Detector (PSD), downstream of the other detectors and a Low Momentum Particle Detector (LMPD) which is located on either side of the target [121]. There is a group of detectors upstream of the target in the beamline which collect timing, charge, and position measurement of the incoming beam. Downstream of the detector are a set of interaction counters which trigger on the interactions. Two of the TPCs are located

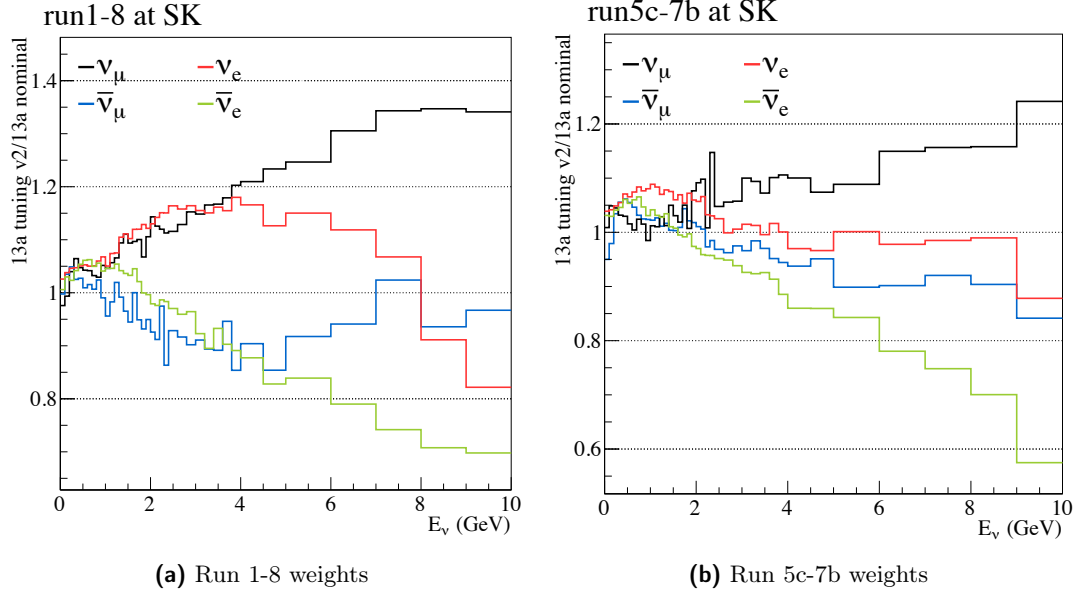


Figure 4.2: Flux tuning weights for (a) forward horn running, and (b) reverse horn running for the neutrino species ν_μ ν_e $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ $\bar{\nu}_e$, from [128]

within magnetic fields and perform PID using dE/dx and the particle's momentum, the ToF detectors are also used to perform PID using the ToF information in combination with the information from the TPCs.

Data from two carbon targets has been collected, these are: a *thin* target which is 2 cm thick or $0.04\lambda_I$ interaction lengths in the direction of beam propagation, and a replica target $1.9\lambda_I$ of the same dimensions as the target used at T2K see section 3.1.2 for target details. The thin target provides data for the initial interaction and multiplicity of hadrons. Tertiary hadron production information within the target is provided by the replica target, leading to a better constraint of the T2K flux, increasing from 60 % to 90 % at the beam peak energy [125].

The final neutrino flux prediction broken down by neutrino flavour ν_μ ν_e $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ $\bar{\nu}_e$ for each running mode is presented in fig. 4.6.

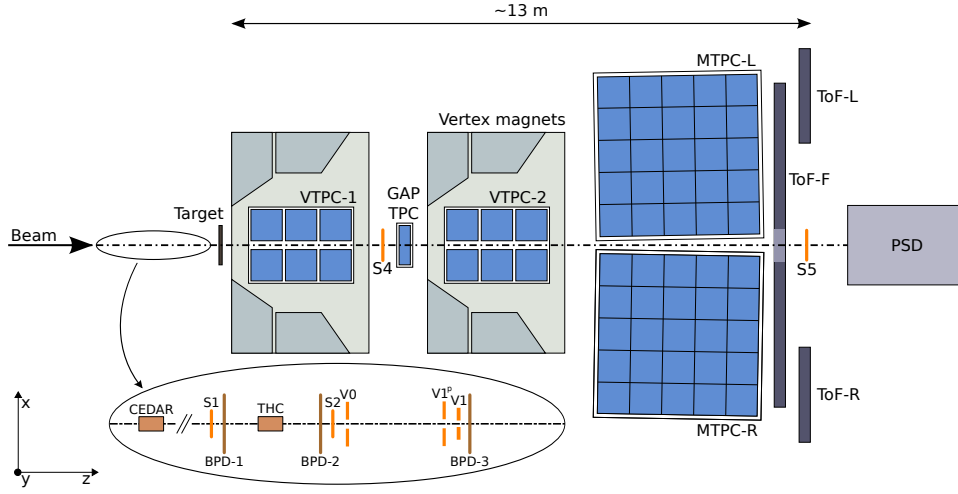


Figure 4.3: NA61/SHINE in the CERN SPS facility. The locations of the various components that determine the beam showing the location of the target which is either the thin target or the replica T2K target. Reproduced from [121]

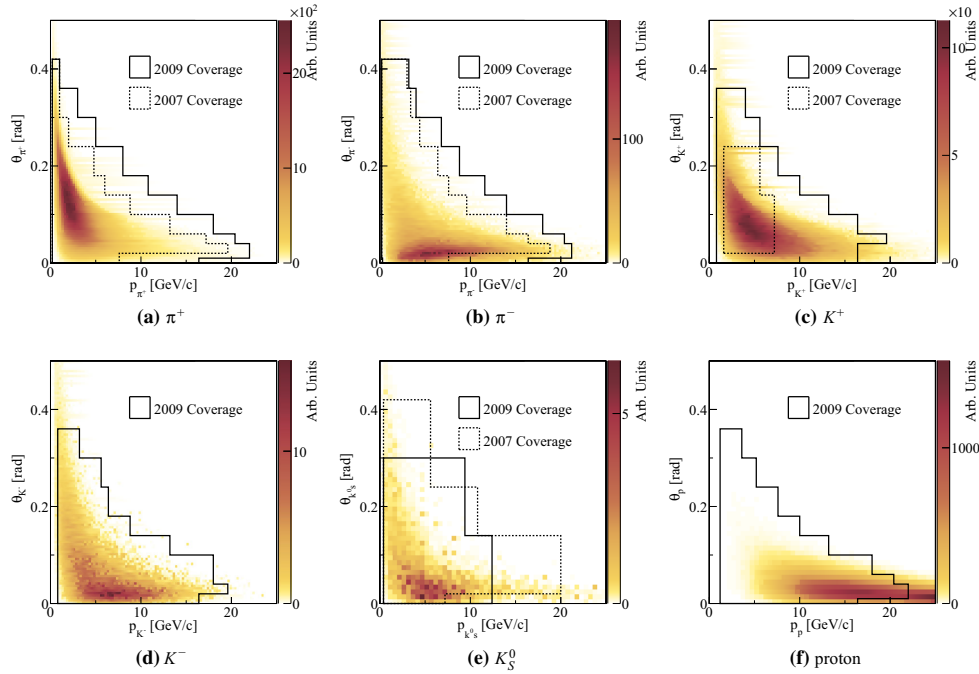


Figure 4.4: FHC mode phase space of the hadrons contributing to the flux at Super-K, with the coverage of the NA61/SHINE experiment for two data collection periods. Reproduced from [129]

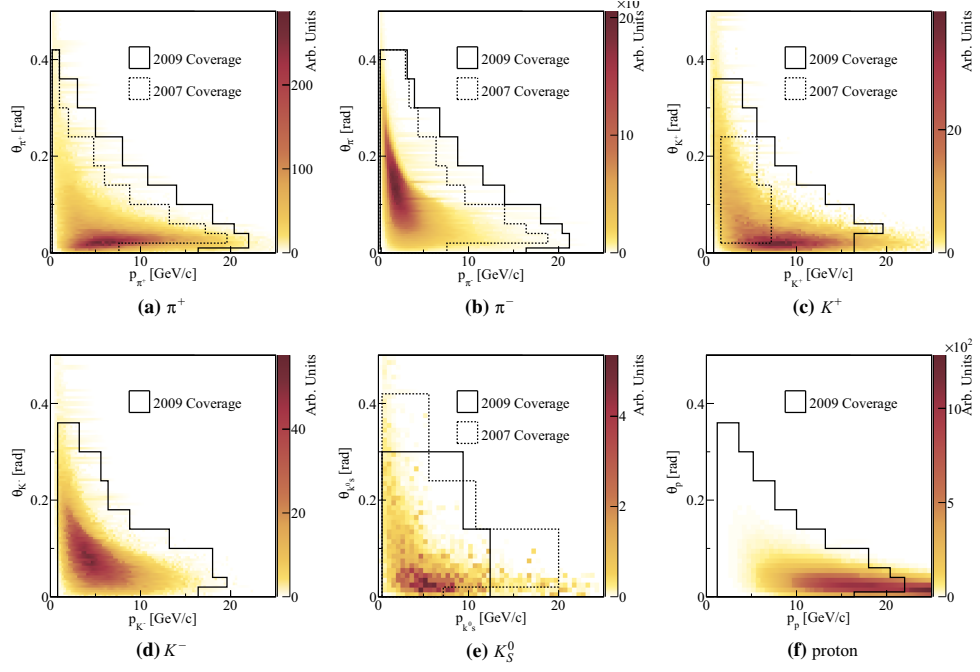


Figure 4.5: RHC mode phase space of the hadrons contributing to the flux at Super-K, with the coverage of the NA61/SHINE experiment for two data collection periods. Reproduced from [129]

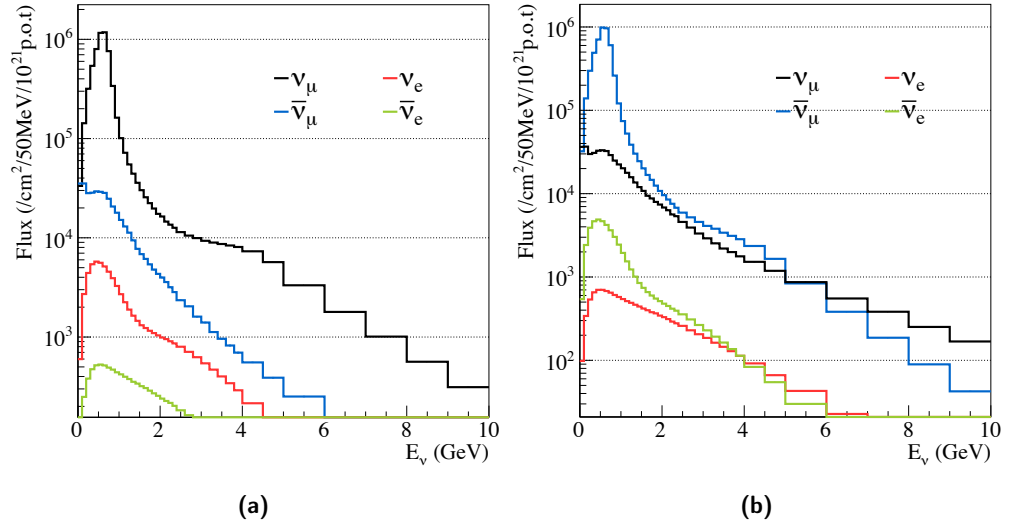


Figure 4.6: Neutrino flux prediction for (a) FHC mode Runs 1-8, and (b) RHC mode Runs 5c-7b, for each neutrino flavour at Super-K. Reproduced from [128].

4.1.1 Flux Uncertainties

There are five groups forming the sources uncertainty for the flux prediction, these are used to generate a prior flux covariance matrix. The sources of uncertainty considered are:

- **Hadron interaction:** the experimentally determined hadron production data have associated uncertainties. Extrapolating to the phase space not covered by NA61 carries a larger uncertainty, as does scaling the centre of mass energy to cover tertiary production. There are also uncertainties due to scaling for materials outside the target from the available data, and final state meson multiplicities. Secondary baryon production after the primary interaction is not simulated and forms a source of uncertainties
- **Proton beam and off-axis angle:** amongst the beam alignment parameters the Y beam center and θ_Y are the dominant sources of uncertainty [130, 131]. The proton beam profile is stable across all runs and allows for fully correlated variations to be applied across runs. The off-axis beam direction uncertainty is taken from the INGRID measurement.
- **Target and horn alignment:** the positions and angles of the target and horn system and the remaining two horns are another source of the uncertainty. The vertical displacement of horns 2 and 3, and together are of order 2%. The uncertainty due to the target misalignment is of order 3%, the angular alignment of horn 1 is of order 2%.
- **Horn current magnetic field:** this uncertainty is dominated by the current monitoring stability. Measurements of the magnetic field's deviation from nominal have been made [131, 128]. The effect on the final neutrino flux is $<1\%$ for bins $<1\text{ GeV}$ and $<4\%$ for bins $>1\text{ GeV}$.
- **Material out of target:** interactions on the cooling water inside the horns are simulated. The “striplines” carrying the current to the horn forms another source of uncertainty, each of these change the flux prediction by at most a few % over nominal [128].

The fractional flux uncertainties for the categories presented above are shown for ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ in FHC mode at Super-K in fig. 4.7, improvements in hadron interaction modelling using data from [129] have resulted in the right sign flux uncertainty has being reduced from $\sim 11\%$ to $\sim 8\%$ at the flux peak. Most bins show improvement compared to the previous flux prediction mainly due to improved hadron production modelling. The uncertainties for $\bar{\nu}_e$ at ND280 in RHC mode are shown in fig. 4.8 which does not have a previous flux version for comparison. The flux is parameterised as detailed in table 4.3.

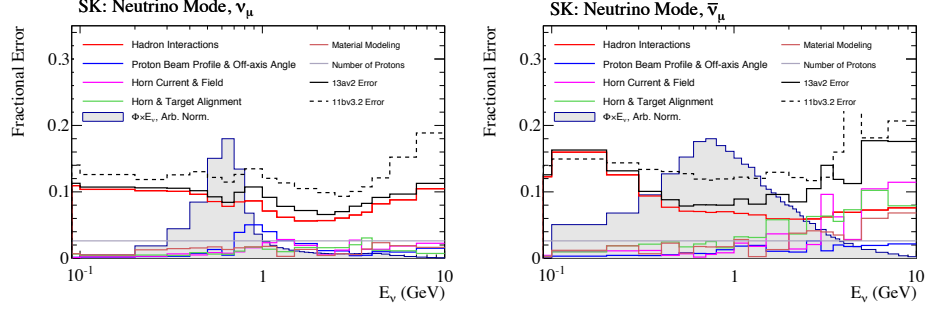


Figure 4.7: The fractional ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux uncertainties in FHC running mode at Super-K for each of the categories listed in section 4.1.1. The solid line represents the updated flux prediction, whereas the dashed line was the previous version. Reproduced from [128].

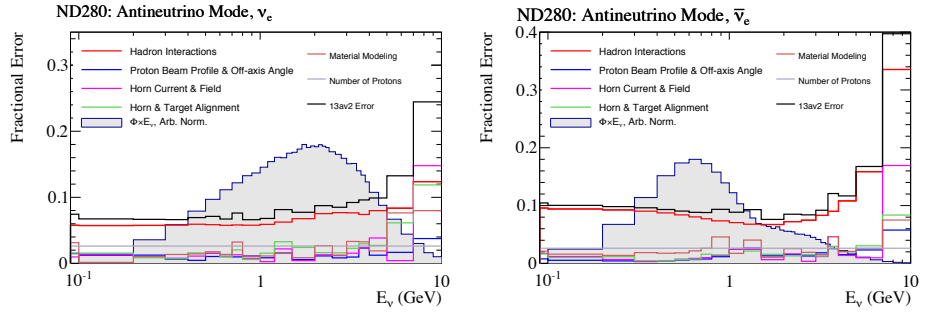


Figure 4.8: The fractional ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux uncertainties in RHC running mode at ND280 for each of the categories listed in section 4.1.1. Reproduced from [128].

Beam mode	ν Flavour	Binning (GeV)
FHC	ν_μ	0–0.4, 0.4–0.5, 0.5–0.6, 0.6–0.7, 0.7–1.0, 1.0–1.5, 1.5–2.5, 2.5–3.5, 3.5–5.0, 5.0–7.0, 7.0–30.0
	ν_e	0–0.5, 0.5–0.7, 0.7–0.8, 0.8–1.5, 1.5–2.5, 2.5–4.0, 4.0–30.0
	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0–0.7, 0.7–1.0, 1.0–1.5, 1.5–2.5, 2.5–30.0
	$\bar{\nu}_e$	0–2.5, 2.5–30.0
RHC	ν_μ	0–0.7, 0.7–1.0, 1.0–1.5, 1.5–2.5, 2.5–30.0
	ν_e	0–2.5, 2.5–30.0
	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0–0.4, 0.4–0.5, 0.5–0.6, 0.6–0.7, 0.7–1.0, 1.0–1.5, 1.5–2.5, 2.5–3.5, 3.5–5.0, 5.0–7.0, 7.0–30.0
	$\bar{\nu}_e$	0–0.5, 0.5–0.7, 0.7–0.8, 0.8–1.5, 1.5–2.5, 2.5–4.0, 4.0–30.0

Table 4.3: Flux systematic parameters for each of the beam modes, as a function of true neutrino energy and flavour. These bins are mapped to the parameters in table 4.11 with SKNuMode* corresponds to FHC and SKANuMode* RHC, and *Numu*, *Nue*, *Numub*, *Nueb* mapping to ν_μ , ν_e , $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, $\bar{\nu}_e$, and each of the numbered parameters corresponding to a true energy bin.

4.2 Neutrino Interaction Simulation

The interactions of neutrinos, across the range of energies that is covered by the T2K beam flux, spans several different modes outlined in section 2.2.3. Ascribing the correct rate associated with a particular interaction mode depends on knowledge of its cross section. There are several different overlapping models for predicting cross sections in this energy region and they must all be incorporated into a coherent whole. Both the near detector inputs and the simulation of the far detector are produced by the NEUT Monte Carlo generator [132]. Since knowledge of neutrino cross sections is a major source of uncertainty in current oscillation experiments any treatment which better quantifies the uncertainty is valuable. NEUT version 5.3.2 is used as the reference in this analysis for the ND280 and Super-K. A description of the physics models used in NEUT 5.4.0 is available in [133] and are discussed below based primarily on [134].

4.2.1 Neutrino Interaction Modes

The interactions of neutrinos with atomic nuclei are simulated using a variety of models to cover the energy range at T2K. The “Impulse Approximation” is used along with a Random Phase Approximation (RPA) model parameterised using a functional form which minimises correlations. The primary interaction mode which makes up the signal in this thesis is CCQE, and is tuned to bubble chamber data. Interactions between the incoming neutrino and two nucleons can occur which overlap the CCQE region, their contribution to this region and the higher energy pion production region is considered. The single pion production region is modelled and tuned again using bubble chamber data. Interactions within the nucleus after the primary neutrino interaction, Final State Interactions (FSI), which bias or make impossible neutrino energy reconstruction are modelled using a cascade model. Secondary Interactions (SI) take place after the particles from the interaction leave the nucleus and interact in the detector medium. Both FSI and SI interactions are tuned using external pion nucleus scattering data. At high energies Deep Inelastic Scattering (DIS) processes take place which for T2K are a small contribution.

4.2.1.1 Nuclear Model

Neutrino nucleus interactions at T2K are simulated using the so called “Impulse Approximation” which considers a neutrino interaction as acting on a single nucleon in the nucleus, with the rest of the system spectating, and takes the incoherent sum of these probabilities. Modifications due to: initial nucleon kinematics, extracting the nucleon from the nucleus, re-interactions in the remnant nucleus, and the changes to the cross section due to the nuclear potential are included. However, the nuclear potential is not

included in the ν -nucleon interaction equation, neither is the wave function of the nucleon before interaction and that of the final state. The interaction between the remnant nucleus and the scattered nucleon are not included in the nucleon wave function.

Several effects need to be considered for the simulation of neutrino scattering of bound nucleons and are included in the T2K model. The kinematics of the initial nucleons are described by using a Fermi gas, the momentum distribution being flat up to a maximum Fermi momentum (p_F). The nuclear potential is taken into consideration by subtracting the binding energy (E_b) required to remove a nucleon from the nucleus from the final state. Re-interactions within the struck nucleus by hadrons, FSI, are considered by use of a Monte Carlo cascade model, with Pauli blocking applied. Pauli blocking can also affect the distribution of events observed at low values of Q^2 , if the nucleon is not energetic enough to leave the nucleus the creation of the state may be “blocked” due to the Pauli exclusion principle not allowing another particle to occupy the same state. The cascade model treats each collision as independent and conserves energy and momentum, a mean free path calculation takes into account effects from the medium. Tuning of this model is described in section 4.2.2. Modification of the neutrino-nucleus cross-section originating from the nuclear potential is described by the RPA, which is a function of $Q^2 = (\omega, \vec{q})$, the four-momentum transferred to the nucleon. Although RPA effects apply to all particles exiting the nucleus, these are only applied to CCQE events in this analysis, as similar effects for pion production are not yet available.

4.2.1.2 Collective Nuclear Effects (BeRPA)

A relativistic RPA model is used, developed by Nieves et al. in [135] and referred to as Nieves RPA. This is a non-perturbative method that takes into account interactions in complex many body systems. Parameterisations have been made of for Effective RPA (ERPA) models, but unfortunately strong correlations were introduced between parameters. Bernstein basis polynomials $b_{i,n}$, of degree n have a functional form where each polynomial is strongly peaked in a particular region of x

$$b_{i,n} = \binom{n}{i} x^i (1-x)^{n-i}, i = 0, \dots, n. \quad (4.4)$$

The form of the polynomial reduces undesired correlations between parameters [136]. A parameterisation of the Nieves RPA model using Bernstein Polynomials, Bernstein RPA (BeRPA), to allow for the coverage of uncertainties in the model has been developed

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} A(1-x')^3 + 3B(1-x')^2x' + 3p_1(1-x')x'^2 + Cx'^3, & x < U \\ 1 + p_2e^{-D(x-U)}, & x > U \end{cases} \quad (4.5)$$

where $x = Q^2$ and $x' = x/U$, and the parameters A , B , C and p_1 are normalisation factors. The parameters $p_{1,2}$ are used for the continuity conditions and are

$$\begin{aligned} p_1 &= C + \frac{UD(C-1)}{3} \\ p_2 &= C - 1. \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

For μ -like samples in FHC mode effects from BeRPA changes event rates by up to 2.5 % and up to 2 % in RHC mode with variations of 1σ around the BANFF tuned values for parameters A , B and D . Similar effects on the event rates are seen for the e -like samples, however the ν_e CC1 π^+ sample shows a much smaller effect 0.2 % table B.1 to table B.10.

4.2.1.3 Charged Current Quasielastic (CCQE) and CCQE-like

The CCQE interaction mode, shown in fig. 4.9, is dominant at the peak of the flux used in the T2K experiment. The CCQE-like samples used in the analysis are identified by the requirement of no pion (0π) in the final state, and no attempt is made to reconstruct the outgoing proton. The CC0 π mode is the main signal for Super-K. This interaction model is for the vertex before any modification by FSI. Other interactions that have the same final state but where the physics process is different, such as the multi-nucleon 2p2h process, cannot be separated from a true CCQE process. Another process which can result in 0π in the final state is π production followed by absorption of the π within the nucleus. Attempts to better determine the final state using measurements of the outgoing proton are not yet well enough developed to separate the CCQE and 2p2h contributions for an oscillation analysis.

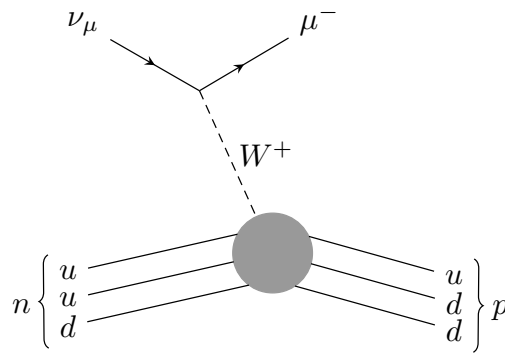


Figure 4.9: Feynman diagram of a muon neutrino charged current quasi-elastic interaction.

The CCQE interaction is implemented using the Llewellyn Smith formalism [137], a

dipole is used for the axial (F_A) form factor with

$$F_A(Q^2) = \frac{g_A}{\left(1 + Q^2/(M_A^{QE})^2\right)^2}. \quad (4.7)$$

where Q^2 is the four-momentum transfer. The axial mass term M_A^{QE} is constrained from neutrino-deuterium scattering experiments, which do not include nuclear effects, although this form has proved effective at describing nuclear parameters. Alternative models for the axial form factor have been studied in order to better describe data at higher values of Q^2 . These will be further discussed in section 4.2.1.4 but are not used in this round of analysis.

4.2.1.4 Tuning to Bubble Chamber Data

A joint fit to data that is available from bubble chamber experiments, is made using a sum of the likelihoods for each dataset. The bubble chamber targets were free nucleons in either hydrogen or deuterium. Data is used from Argonne National Laboratory (ANL) [138, 139] and Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL) [140] in addition to Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory (FNAL) [141] and the Big European Bubble Chamber (BEBC) [142]. The data is presented in a number of different forms, as cross sections $\sigma(E_\nu)$, event rates $R(Q^2)$, and differential cross-sections $d\sigma/dQ^2$. To avoid biasing the fit and to take into account the information that is available from Q^2 and E_ν the fit is made to both classes of data set simultaneously, fitting the cross sections $\sigma(E_\nu)$ to understand the flux of the experiment and the $d\sigma/dQ^2$ to gain shape and form factor information. Different treatments are taken for each of the data sets due to overly strong contributions from a particular data sets. Flux uncertainties are taken into account by performing tuning with fixed fluxes from the data sets from ANL and BNL and allowing the flux to vary by 15 %.

The dipole form factor in eq. (4.7) is widely used to model neutrino nucleon quasi-elastic interactions. Available neutrino scattering data from bubble chamber experiments constrains the model at low values of Q^2 but are sparse for $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$.

Two additional models are considered, a “2- and 3-component” model [143], and a model based on QCD sum rules, the “Z-expansion” model [144, 145]. Both these models fit the data from the bubble chamber experiments well but vary in the uncertainty that they predict. Propagation of the additional form factors to ND280 and Super-K shows inflated errors at values of $Q^2 > 1 \text{ GeV}^2$. These models are not used to constrain the parameters for the analysis presented in this thesis but are used to build fake data sets, and will be used in future as the reference model.

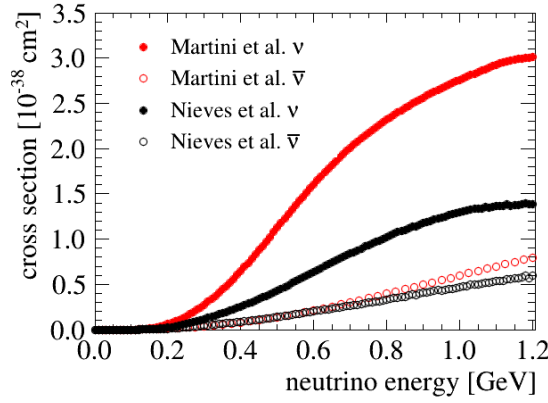


Figure 4.10: Neutrino and antineutrino cross sections for the 2p2h process for the reference T2K model, Nieves et al., and an alternative model, Martini et al. Reproduced from [134].

4.2.1.5 Multi-Nucleon Interactions (2p2h)

The 2p2h interaction process occurs when the incoming neutrino interacts with two nucleons, as shown in fig. 4.11, and this can be decomposed into the following contributions

- Meson Exchange Current (MEC), Δ resonance pion-less decay and other MEC diagrams which include a Δ propagator and contributions due to pions in flight shown in fig. 4.13
- Nucleon-Nucleon (NN) correlations shown in fig. 4.12
- interference between MEC and NN

This class of interactions can account for between 10–20 % of the total $\text{CC}0\pi$ cross section at T2K. The region of phase space (ω, \vec{q}) occupied by 2p2h overlaps that of pion production, whilst NN overlaps with the Quasielastic region. Since these interaction modes have different mappings from true to reconstructed quantities and without knowledge of the contribution from each of these modes the use of the neutrino energy reconstruction formula eq. (4.11) biases the reconstruction to lower energies. Data from electron scattering experiments could potentially be used to constrain this process, however, due to restrictions from the available models this cannot be done directly. A parameter that rescales the 2p2h contribution and a variable which alters the composition of MEC and NN components and alters the differential shape is included in the analysis. There are very different predictions for neutrinos and antineutrinos for the default model [135] and the alternative model [146, 147], and are shown in fig. 4.10. Unfortunately for this analysis there are low antineutrino statistics at ND280 (only data up to Run 6 is used) which makes it impossible to constrain the antineutrino shape uncertainty.

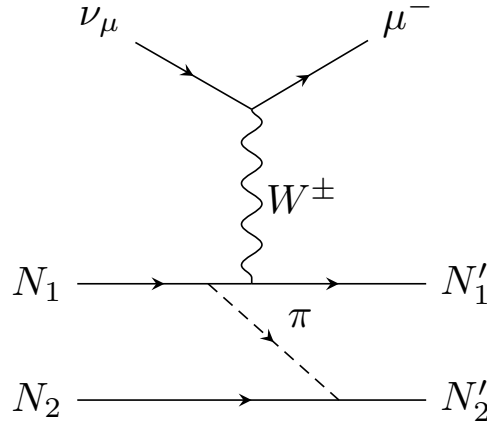


Figure 4.11: Coupling between pairs of nucleons, $N_{1,2}$ via pion exchange in a ν_μ interaction.

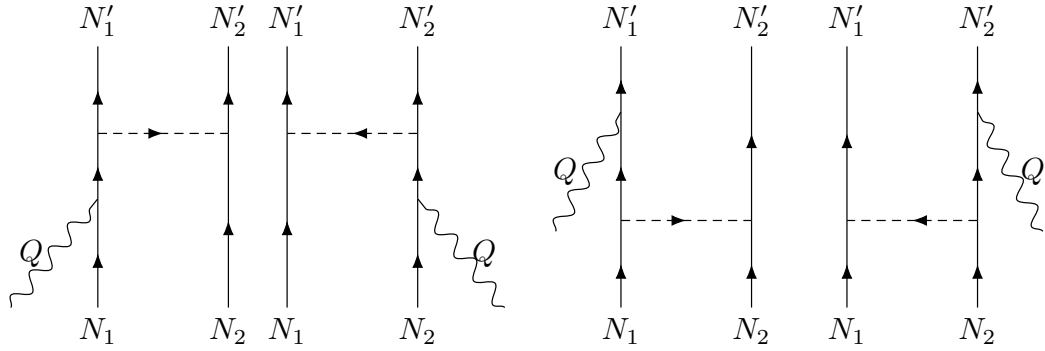


Figure 4.12: Couplings between pairs of nucleons, nucleon-nucleon (NN) interactions.

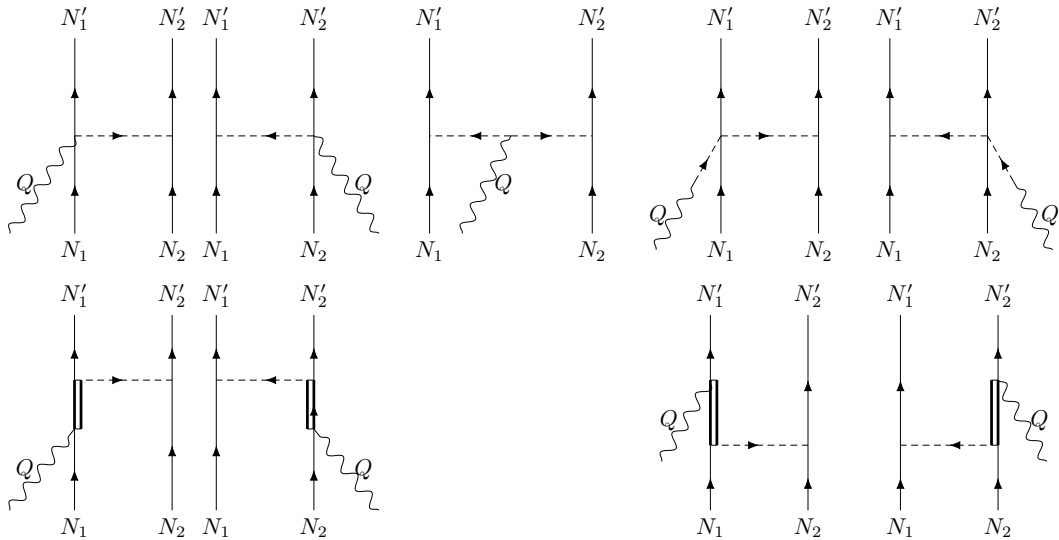


Figure 4.13: Feynman diagrams of the MEC contribution to the two particle two hole interaction. The top line shows the two contact or seagull diagrams, the pion in flight term, and the pion pole term. The second line shows the coupling to a Δ -resonance or Δ -pole

The NEUT Nieves et al. reference model [135] has been developed for isoscalar nuclei, and a study to estimate the uncertainty on the extrapolation from carbon to oxygen has been performed based on data from electron scattering experiments at CLAS [148]. Extrapolation from the phase space of the data and corrections for FSI effects limit the scope of the conclusions from the study, however conservative conclusions are made which motivate the oscillation analysis priors. The parameters for the oscillation analysis are set so that the 2p2h normalisation parameters for ν and $\bar{\nu}$ on carbon have flat prior probability distributions and are uncorrelated. The 2p2h normalisation scaling from carbon to oxygen have 20 % correlation and are fully correlated between ν and $\bar{\nu}$. The 2p2h shape uncertainty is fully correlated between ν and $\bar{\nu}$ and flat within the range $[-1, 1]$, fully NN or not- Δ like to fully MEC or Δ like. The 2p2h shape uncertainty on oxygen behaves in the same manner as the shape uncertainty on carbon and be 30 % correlated with the carbon parameter.

4.2.1.6 Single Pion Production

The previous oscillation analysis of the T2K data included a sample with a single pion in addition to the CCQE-like samples previously included. A final state that includes a single pion can be produced via several different interaction processes. These include: resonance excitations that decay into pions, multi-pion processes, and coherent pion production. The largest contribution comes from resonance production, with a small contribution to this process from a “non-resonant background”, in which pion production proceeds without an intermediate resonance state. These are incorporated into the T2K model using Rein-Sehgal model [149], and the hadronic invariant mass, W , of the final state follows the condition $W < 2 \text{ GeV}$ to avoid double counting with the DIS process discussed in section 4.2.1.9. The $\Delta(1232)$ dominates resonance production at T2K beam energies.

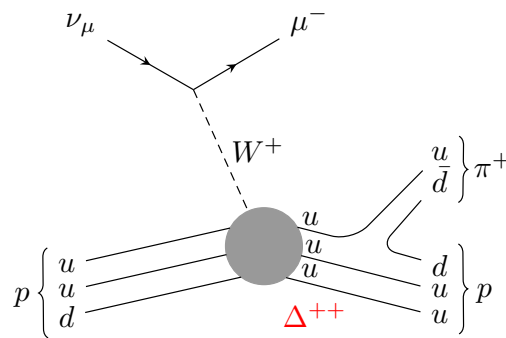


Figure 4.14: A possible Feynman diagram for the production of a charged pion by excitation and subsequent decay of a resonance.

The single pion data was previously tuned to data from nuclear targets, MiniBooNE, K2K, and the data from bubble chambers was not included. This oscillation analysis, bins the

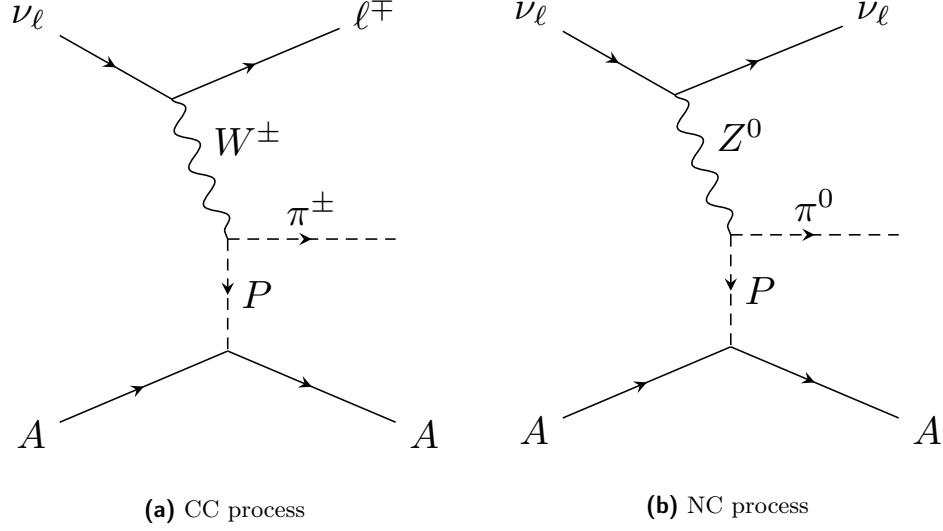


Figure 4.15: Coherent pion production on a nucleus, showing the exchange of a pomeron with the nucleus leaving it in the ground state and the production of charged pion for (a) the CC process, and a neutral pion for (b) the NC process.

events in E_ν and in θ of the outgoing lepton for electron-like events. Lepton kinematics do not undergo the additional final state interactions, and can therefore sidestep the pion and nucleon models. The external data from MINER ν A and MiniBooNE data which are the most relevant data have associated difficulties which make them unsuitable for the tuning that was performed, and were not used apart from the lepton data available. Bubble chamber data is included by reweighting interactions with single pions on a free nucleon and MiniBooNE $T_\mu \cos \theta_\mu$ data is used to verify the scaling performed to the nuclear environment.

Values extracted from separate fits to different data sets show a wide range of variation, the central values of the parameters and the correlations between the parameters are taken from the ANL+BNL fit with inflated errors in order to cover data on nuclear targets from MiniBooNE.

Coherent pion production produces a pion via interaction with the whole nucleus without exciting the nucleus after neutrino scattering. For this process to take place, there must only be a low energy transfer to the nucleus. Data from MINER ν A is lower compared to the prediction from NEUT, and an ad-hoc reweighting has been implemented from the data due to known under prediction from the implemented Rein-Sehgal (RS) model.

4.2.1.7 Tuning to bubble chamber and nuclear data

Previous iterations of the single pion tunes detailed in [150, 151, 152] used the existing scattering data on nuclei from the MiniBooNE [153] and K2K [154] experiments, these experiments reported their results as cross sections as a function of energy rather than

flux integrated differential cross sections which introduces model dependence. The bubble chamber data was not used at all in the previous fits. Lepton ℓ kinematics $p_\ell, \cos \theta_\ell$ are unaffected by subsequent interactions with the nuclear medium which introduce the possibility of misidentifying the interaction topology. This makes leptonic variables ideal for extracting information from the interaction vertex.

Additional functionality was introduced to NEUT in order to generate and reweight single-pion interactions on a free nucleon. This means that the model can fit to the available bubble chamber data using minimisation techniques, rather than the previous eye-balling technique. NEUT tailors its form factor parameterisation for the $\Delta(1232)$ resonance [155], of the 18 that are considered, so tuning is preferably done to $W < 1.4$ GeV.

Poisson likelihoods are used for the event distributions $N(\vec{x})$ in the kinematic variable \vec{x} (e.g. p_π, Q^2), and Gaussian likelihoods for cross section distributions $\sigma(E_\nu)$, this leads to the expression

$$\chi^2 = \sum_{\vec{x}} \left\{ 2 \sum_{i=1}^{N(\text{bins})} \left(\text{NEUT}_i - \text{Data}_i \ln \left(\frac{\text{Data}_i}{(\text{NEUT}_i)} \right) \right) \right\} + \sum_{E_\nu} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{N(\text{bins})} \frac{(\text{Data}_i - \text{NEUT}_i)^2}{\delta_i^2} \right\}, \quad (4.8)$$

where Data_i and NEUT_i are the i^{th} bin contents for either the cross-section or event rate distributions. The $N(\vec{x})$ distributions are fit using shape information only by scaling the generated MC distribution to the data for every fit. Correlations across experiments are not considered and normalisation of the total cross-sections is not performed, shape information only is used. The outer sum for both terms is over the data data sets that are available for that particular category.

This fit does not intend to replicate the fits producing the constraints that are carried out by the ND fitters which will be discussed in section 4.3, but aims to provide ranges within which the model can vary given the input data. Several fits are made to the bubble chamber data, either combined or alone, and the MiniBooNE lepton variable data, setting various conditions in fit, e.g. fixing or allowing the non resonant background parameter $I_{1/2}$ to be free. From these fits which produced a range of best-fit values the central values and uncertainties on the parameters M_A^{RES} , the axial mass for the resonant process analogous to M_A^{QE} , C_A^5 , the axial form factor, and $I_{1/2}$ are listed in table 4.4.

4.2.1.8 Final State Interactions (FSI)

Hadrons propagating through the nuclear medium as a result of a neutrino interaction may interact in this medium. These interactions happen before the lepton or hadron

Parameter	Central Value & Uncertainty
M_A^{RES}	1.07 ± 0.15
C_A^5	0.96 ± 0.15
$I_{1/2}$	0.96 ± 0.40

Table 4.4: Central values and uncertainties resulting from the fit to the external data for the pion production parameters from [134].

can be observed, and the probability of a pion undergoing an additional interaction is significant. To further complicate accessing the underlying physics process, the hadrons which leave the medium can undergo “secondary interactions” (SI) in the detector material before reconstruction. For example when pions are absorbed in the nuclear medium the event reconstruction looks CCQE-like, however the 2-body assumption for CCQE events eq. (4.11), which will be discussed in section 4.4, biases the energy reconstruction. Any FSI and or SI interactions can modify the pion kinematics, which in turn alters the detector particle identification efficiency. Charge exchange processes can modify the observed neutral pion rate, which because of conversion to γ -rays is an important background to understand for ν_e appearance. FSI processes are difficult to constrain because data from well understood hadron beams do not probe the interior of the nucleus and consequently are not subject to the same physical environment as hadrons from neutrino induced interactions.

The FSI interactions are modelled in NEUT by use of a cascade model [132] and constrained using external data [156]. An Intra-Nuclear cascade model is used, in which pions are tracked from their creation at the initial neutrino interaction. The position where the pions are created is chosen based on a nuclear density profile, modelled by a Fermi model, the Woods-Saxon potential [157], using a three parameter model with one set to zero for oxygen. The pion is then stepped through the nucleus in finite steps, where interaction probabilities are calculated till absorption or the pion leaves the nucleus. High and low momentum pions have different treatments, using tables derived from a computational many-body simulation in infinite nuclear matter and scattering data from free protons and deuterons respectively. A mixture of these models is used in the region 400–500 MeV. The model is parameterised by using six factors, one for absorption, two for QE scattering (high and low energies), two for charge exchange (high and low energies) and one for hadron production and are named in table 4.5. Five of the parameters scale the probabilities of π interaction at each step, and the parameter FEFCX scales the charge exchange fraction of quasielastic scattering at low momenta.

NEUT Name	ND Fit Name	Momentum Region MeV/ c_0	Description
FEFABS	FSI_PI_ABS	<500	Absorption
FEFQE	FSI_INEL_LO	<500	QE scattering (low energy)
FEFCX	FSI_CEX_LO	<500	Single charge exchange (low energy)
FEFQEH	FSI_INEL_HI	>400	QE scattering (high energy)
FEFCXH	FSI_CEX_HI	>400	Single charge exchange (high energy)
FEFINEL	FSI_PI_PROD	>400	Hadron (N+n π) production

Table 4.5: The NEUT and ND names of the FSI scaling parameters with their associated momentum region. These parameters are also used in the fits to data described in this section and section 4.2.2. The overlapping momentum regions are due to the combination of the scaling parameters in this region.

The uncertainties that are associated with FSI are implemented in the near and far detectors using different methods. Response functions, parameterised using splines, on an event by event basis are used at ND280. The response functions span 1σ , this factorisation of the response functions has been validated and is of order 1 %.

4.2.1.9 Deep inelastic scattering (DIS)

At high neutrino energies, above ~ 5 GeV, deep inelastic scattering (DIS) processes dominate, where the interaction of the neutrino is directly with the quark inside the nucleon via one of the weak force bosons, often fragmenting the nucleon in the process and these fragments producing a hadronic shower. These interactions lie in the tail of the T2K flux, and are not part of the signal that is considered for the oscillation analysis.

4.2.2 Final State Interactions and Secondary Interactions Tuning

As previously described in section 4.2.1.8, FSI and SI interactions interactions can mean that the reconstructed energy of an event is biased due to misidentification of the event topology. The NEUT cascade model is tuned to external $\pi^\pm - A$ scattering data. The parameters that are used are named in table 4.5, and each of these is used to scale the microscopic probability at each step in the cascade apart from **FEFCX** which scales the charge fraction in low momentum quasi-elastic scattering. The interaction channels that are used for the analysis are:

- **Absorption (ABS):** No pions in the final state
- **Quasi-elastic Scattering (QE):** Only a single pion in the final state, of the same charge as the incident beam

- **Single Charge Exchange (CX):** Only one π^0 in the final state
- **Absorption + Single Charge Exchange (ABS+CX):** Sum of ABS and CX
- **Reactive:** Sum of ABS + CX + QE, Double Charge Exchange, and Hadron Production. Double charge exchange is final states with one pion with the opposite charge to the incident beam. To be defined as hadron production the final state must contain more than one pion.

The target materials used in the FGDs are plastic scintillator (FGD1), and a combination of water and plastic scintillator (FGD2) as described in section 3.2.1.2, Super-K uses water as its target material described in section 3.3. In principle there is not a need to tune to heavier nuclei but the near detector contains heavier nuclei e.g. the Pb planes in the ECals, on which interactions and FSI/SI interactions can occur. There are also plans to use interaction samples from outside the tracker region in the ND fits to constrain the uncertainties in the oscillation analysis so a variety of targets, Carbon, Oxygen, Aluminium, Iron, Copper and Lead are used to tune the data.

Data comparisons were made to 18 data sets, including measurements from the Dual Use Experiment at TRIUMF (DUET) [158].

A pre-computed grid of pion cross-sections for a grid of the 6 FSI parameters in table 4.5. A best fit for the parameters is then found by minimising a χ^2 . A scaling was applied to the χ^2_{FSI} to cover all the external data fits, The scaling Φ is determined by

$$\Phi = \frac{\sigma_j^{\text{Bestfit}}(f_{\text{FSI}}) - \sigma_j^{\text{Data}}}{\Delta\sigma_j^{\text{Bestfit}}(f_{\text{FSI}})}, \quad (4.9)$$

where the, $\sigma_j^{\text{Bestfit}}$ external data are compared with the $\sigma_j^{\text{Bestfit}}$ NEUT values and the 1- σ errors $\Delta\sigma_j^{\text{Bestfit}}(f_{\text{FSI}})$. Even with the inflated errors the post-fit values of the FSI parameters are smaller than those obtained with the previous analysis performed in [152].

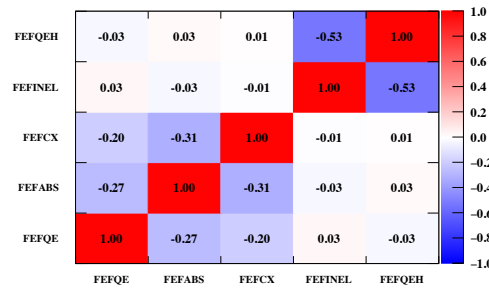


Figure 4.16: Correlation matrix for Final State Interactions parameters obtained from the external data fit, using interpolation and the lower values of correlations retrieved from the two methods used. Reproduced from [156]

Two interpolation methods were used which returned values of minimum χ^2 which agreed, however the covariance matrices that were returned from the two methods differed in the strength of the correlations that they returned. The method with the smaller correlations was used for the final results [156], which are shown in fig. 4.16. The resulting central values and 1σ uncertainties are shown in section 4.2.2. The parameter FEFCXH was left fixed in the fits as the data does not cover this region of phase space and the FEFINEL FEFQEH parameters cover the data sets. fits are shown in fig. 4.17 for a subset of the data considered.

Parameter	Best Fit $\pm 1\sigma$
FEFQE	1.069 ± 0.313
FEFABS	1.404 ± 0.432
FEFCX	0.697 ± 0.305
FEFINEL	1.002 ± 1.101
FEFQEH	1.824 ± 0.859
FEFCX	1.8(Fixed)

Table 4.6: The post-fit values of the FSI parameters, with the error scaling described in eq. (4.9).

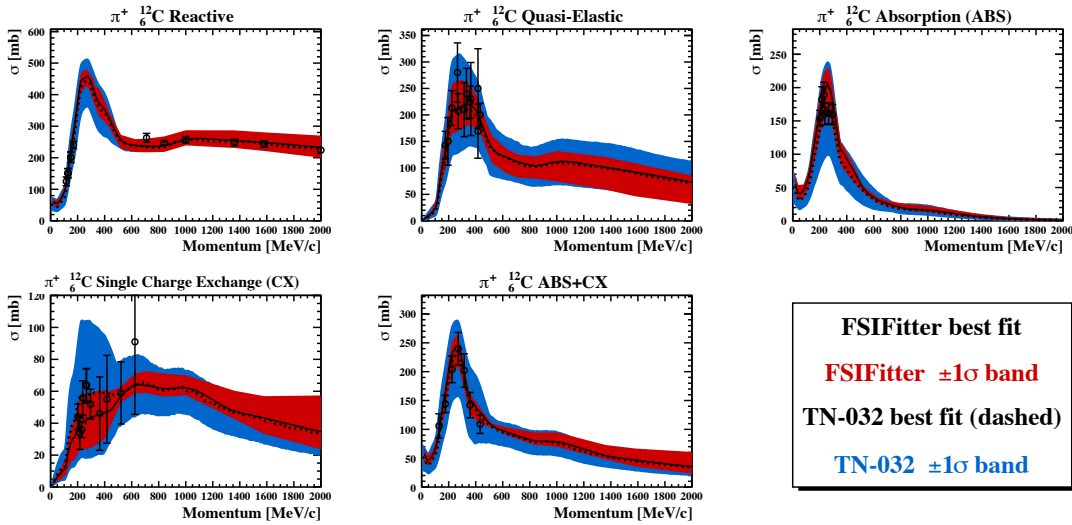


Figure 4.17: Fits to the available π^+ -C cross section external data using the FSIFitter developed in [156] compared with earlier fit results and $1\text{-}\sigma$ error bands from [150].

4.3 Near Detector Flux and Cross-section Model Constraints

The T2K flux and cross section models can be constrained using external and internal measurements, the set of external measurements that constrain the flux and cross section

parameters are described in previous sections. The following section describes how better quantified central values for many systematic parameters are obtained, these form the inputs to the nominal spectra predictions made at Super-K. The uncertainties of each of the systematic parameters are also better quantified and the correlations between them are reported in a covariance matrix, this matrix is used in the bounds of the systematic variations of the Super-K spectra which are used in the oscillation analysis in chapter 5.

The flux and cross section parameters, which are nuisance parameters, are constrained using BANFF [159] and MaCh3 fitters for the T2K experiment. Both analyses fit the near detector data to produce covariance matrices containing the uncertainties on the parameters and separately the associated tuned central values for use as an input to the oscillation analysis. The parameters considered are fitted using ND280 data with the flux parameters for Super-K allowed to vary in the fit according to separately to Super-K, where this constraint is propagated. This analysis uses data whose interaction vertex is in FGD1 or FGD2.

The “Asimov data set” is a statistical technique which is used in the following section and extensively in the analysis in chapter 5. The “Asimov data set” is a single toy experiment generated from MC, without statistical or systematic fluctuations, intended to replace an ensemble of data sets. This set has the property of characterising the sensitivity without the need to generate many MC toy experiments with good accuracy even for small samples [160]. This technique saves computation time by replacing the ensemble of data sets that would otherwise need to be generated.

4.3.1 Sample Selection

Two sets of samples are selected to fit at the near detector, FHC ν_μ and for RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu\nu_\mu$. For the RHC mode the different production rates of π^+/π^- in the $p - C$ collisions at the T2K target [161] along with the difference in cross section between neutrinos and antineutrinos result in a greater contamination of ν in the $\bar{\nu}$ beam. Without being able to separate neutrino induced events from antineutrino events, this forms an irreducible background at Super-K. For this reason the RHC selection characterises this background by selecting the appropriate sample which are then used in the BANFF and MaCh3 near detector fits. These samples are selected using software which is described in [162, 163, 164].

For the RHC running mode the same criteria were used to select both neutrino and antineutrino events. Three stages are used to select the events: first an event pre-selection takes place for both FGD1 and FGD2, events are then selected to form a CC-inclusive sample, and finally events are separated into CC 1-Track and CC N-Track samples [165,

166]. The CC 1-Track sample is CC-quasielastic enhanced which forms the bulk of the oscillation analysis sample, whilst CC N-Track include hadron production. The event pre-selection for both RHC samples is detailed below:

- **Event Quality:** The event must occur in a defined bunch with good data quality flags
- **Total Multiplicity:** The selected event must have at least one track which crosses TPC2
- **Quality and Fiducial:** The highest momentum positive track (HMPT) in the event must have its vertex in the FV of FGD1 (or FGD2) and > 18 TPC nodes
- **Highest Momentum Track:** The HMPT must be the highest momentum track (HMT) in the event
- **TPC1 veto:** Veto on backwards events or events originating from the PØD or Magnet. Additionally for the FGD2 selection no tracks starting in the FGD1 FV are allowed
- **External FGD1 (FGD2):** Rejection of external background from the last two layers of FGD1 (FGD2)
- **Muon PID:** events passing the above cuts are then classified using the TPC by first removing electrons and then removing p and π^+ from CCnonQE interactions.

After the cuts that are outlined above the sample, CC-inclusive, is split into CC 1-Track and CC N-Tracks. Those events with a single matched track reconstructed in the FGD and TPC are CC 1-Track, and those with more tracks are classified as CC N-Track. The CC 1-Track and N-Track samples are separated by the number of matched tracks in the TPC and FGD for an event. Events with a single TPC-FGD matched track are selected for the 1-Track sample, leading to an enhancement in CCQE-like events. Events with more than a single TPC-FGD matched track compose the N-Tracks sample. The efficiency and purity of the of the samples are listed for both the ν_μ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ in RHC running mode in FGD1 and FGD2 in table 4.7.

The topologies used in the selections are CC-0 π , which is defined as events with a true μ^\pm and without any $\pi^{\pm,0}$. CC-N π are the events remaining from the CC-inclusive sample once the CC-0 π events are removed, this includes $\geq \pi^{\pm,0}$ and μ^\pm and also includes K, η . Backgrounds are made up of the (anti)neutrino CC interactions depending on the selection, ν_e and neutral current signal. Events outside the fiducial volume of the FGD, for which the sample is being selected (FGD1 or FGD2), are tagged as external.

Component	Sample	Efficiency(%)		Purity(%)	
		FGD1	FGD2	FGD1	FGD2
ν_μ	CC-Inclusive	55.1	54.6	80.0	79.2
	CC 1-Track	46.3	46.4	50.5	46.2
	CC N-Track	36.5	36.7	66.1	67.4
$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	CC-Inclusive	67	68.5	81.3	80.7
	CC 1-Track	66	68	74.4	74.5
	CC N-Track	29	31	46.4	45.6

Table 4.7: Selection efficiency and purity for the RHC samples selected in FGD1 and FGD2. Data from [165, 166].

The FHC running mode uses similar selection criteria to define the CC-inclusive sample [167]. Although the sample selection names are different they are composed of the same true topologies, with the FHC running mode distinguishing between single and multiple pion production.

- **Event Quality:** The event must occur in a defined bunch with good data quality flags.
- **Total Multiplicity:** The selected event must have at least one track which crosses TPC2
- **Quality and Fiducial:** The event is selected when there is at least one reconstructed track inside the fiducial volumes of FGD1 or FGD2, and must have its vertex inside the FGDs fiducial volume. Short tracks, which are less reliably reconstructed in the TPCs are rejected by requiring > 18 clusters in a vertical or horizontal track.
- **Upstream background veto:** Muon tracks that start upstream but are misreconstructed as originating in the TPC are rejected by vetoing events where the second highest momentum track starts 150 mm upstream of the muon candidate. The FGD2 selection also vetoes events containing a secondary track starting in FGD1 fiducial volume.
- **Broken Track Rejection:** tracks may be split by the reconstruction into two muon candidate tracks a fully contained FGD track and a FDG TPC track. These are rejected by requiring that the start position of the track is < 425 mm from the FGD upstream edge.
- **Muon PID:** events that pass the above cuts are muon candidates, electrons are removed followed by protons and pions.

Component	Sample	Efficiency(%)		Purity(%)	
		FGD1	FGD2	FGD1	FGD2
ν_μ	CC0 π	47.62	48.45	70.4	67.4
	CC1 π	27.49	23.69	54.1	53.5
	CC Other	27.61	28.23	72.9	72.8

Table 4.8: Selection efficiency and purity for the samples selected in FGD1 and FGD2 for FHC running mode, data from [167].

The CC-inclusive data set is subdivided into three sub-samples CC0 π , CC1 π and CC Other, secondary tracks must start in the same FGD fiducial volume and are identified using a likelihood from the TPC. Three likelihood hypotheses are used for positive tracks, π^+ , e^+ and p , negative tracks only consider π^- and e^- . CC0 π contains no π^+ , e^+ or p using the TPC PID information, and there are no Michel decay electrons or charged pions found in the FGD. CC1 π contains events with a single charged pion in the TPC and a single Michel electron, in the absence of a Michel electron the number of π^+ in the TPC and FGD must equal one. CC other contains all events not in either of the previous two classifications. The efficiency and purity of the samples that are selected are listed in table 4.8 for both FGD1 and FGD2.

4.3.2 Near detector binning

Data from both FGD1 and FGD2 are used in the analysis in addition to using data from both positive focussing (PF or FHC) and negative focussing (NF or RHC). Both of the FGDs are expected to have similar number of events so the kinematic binning for the lepton angle and momentum are the same in both.

- FHC ν_μ CC0 π bin edges:
 p (MeV): 0, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1000, 1250, 1500, 2000, 3000, 5000, 30000
 $\cos\theta$: -1, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.85, 0.9, 0.92, 0.94, 0.96, 0.98, 0.99, 1
- FHC ν_μ CC1 π bin edges:
 p (MeV): 0, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1000, 1250, 1500, 2000, 5000, 30000
 $\cos\theta$: -1, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.85, 0.9, 0.92, 0.94, 0.96, 0.98, 0.99, 1
- FHC ν_μ CCOther bin edges:
 p (MeV): 0, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1000, 1250, 1500, 2000, 3000, 5000, 30000
 $\cos\theta$: -1, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.85, 0.9, 0.92, 0.94, 0.96, 0.98, 0.99, 1
- RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC 1-Track bin edges:
 p (MeV): 0, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1100, 1400, 2000, 10000
 $\cos\theta$: -1.0, 0.6, 0.7, 0.8, 0.85, 0.88, 0.91, 0.93, 0.95, 0.96, 0.97, 0.98, 0.99, 1
- RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC N-Track bin edges:
 p (MeV): 0, 700, 950, 1200, 1500, 2000, 3000, 10000

$\cos \theta$: -1.0, 0.75, 0.85, 0.88, 0.91, 0.93, 0.95, 0.96, 0.97, 0.98, 0.99, 1

- RHC ν_μ CC 1-Track bin edges:

p (MeV): 0, 400, 600, 800, 1100, 2000, 10000

$\cos \theta$: -1.0, 0.7, 0.8, 0.85, 0.9, 0.93, 0.95, 0.96, 0.97, 0.98, 0.99, 1

- RHC ν_μ CC N-Track bin edges:

p (MeV): 0, 500, 700, 1000, 1500, 2000, 3000, 10000

$\cos \theta$: -1.0, 0.7, 0.8, 0.85, 0.9, 0.93, 0.95, 0.96, 0.97, 0.98, 0.99, 1.

There are 100 flux parameters considered in the fit broken down into 25 parameters for each of the ND280 FHC and RHC modes and the same for the SK FHC and RHC modes, and is parameterised as presented in table 4.3. For this analysis 25 cross section parameters in addition to 6 FSI parameters are used and are listed in table 4.9. Due to the difference in composition between the near and far detectors the carbon parameters are marginalised to remove them from the covariance matrix. The composition of FDG1 is entirely scintillator, whilst FGD2 has water filled portions, making up 42 % of the target mass, which allow constraints to be set on interactions on oxygen nuclei as described in section 3.2.1.2.

The near detector fit uses bins in leptonic momentum, p and angle θ . The fits are performed by two analysis methods the BANFF and MaCh3. The detector systematics are treated by throwing 2000 variations of the systematics in a framework which allows for event weights and observables to vary and for event migration in samples and different $p - \cos \theta$ bins within a sample. Correlations between FGD1 and FGD2 are accounted for by generating two sets of systematic variations for application to events from the FDGs individually. Bin-to-bin correlations are also applied, a covariance matrix is calculated around the mean values in each $p - \cos \theta$ bin. There are 556 detector systematics considered in the fit.

The cross section matrix, described in section 4.2 contains the parameters which are listed in table 4.9,

ND Fit Name	Description
NC_other_far	NC Other Far
NC_other_near	NC Other Near
NC_1gamma	NC 1 γ
NCCoh	NC Coherent
CC_Coh_O	CC Coherent Oxygen
CC_Coh_C	CC Coherent Carbon
CC_DIS	CC Deep Inelastic Scattering
nuebar_numubar	$\bar{\nu}_e/\bar{\nu}_\mu$
nue_numu	ν_e/ν_μ
ISO_BKG	$I_{1/2}$ non-resonant background
MARES	M_A^{RES}
CA5	C_A^5 axial form factor
BeRPA_U	BeRPA U
BeRPA_E	BeRPA E
BeRPA_D	BeRPA D
BeRPA_B	BeRPA B
BeRPA_A	BeRPA A
2p2h_shape_O	2p2h shape, Oxygen
2p2h_shape_C	2p2h shape, Carbon
2p2h_norm_CtoO	2p2h normalisation, Carbon to Oxygen
2p2h_norm_nubar	2p2h normalisation, $\bar{\nu}$
2p2h_norm_nu	2p2h normalisation, ν
pF_O	Fermi Momentum p_F , Oxygen
pF_C	Fermi Momentum p_F , Carbon
MAQE	M_A^{QE} Axial Mass
FSI_PI_ABS	Absorption
FSI_INEL_LO	QE scattering (low energy)
FSI_CEX_LO	Single charge exchange (low energy)
FSI_INEL_HI	QE scattering (high energy)
FSI_CEX_HI	Single charge exchange (high energy)
FSI_PROD	Hadron (N+n π) production

Table 4.9: The ND names of the cross-section parameters that are used in the ND280 fit to constrain the uncertainties between near and far detectors. These parameters were described in more detail in section 4.2.

Splines are generated for each event in the ND280 MC, equal interval variations of the cross section parameters are made and weights are calculated at these points. During the fits, each event is then weighted using values interpolated from the previously generated variations.

The fitters are validated using “Asimov” data sets (further described in section 5.3.3.1), where all the values of the parameters from the beam detector and cross section groups are set to their nominal values in a scaled T2K MC. BANFF fit makes throws of the fit

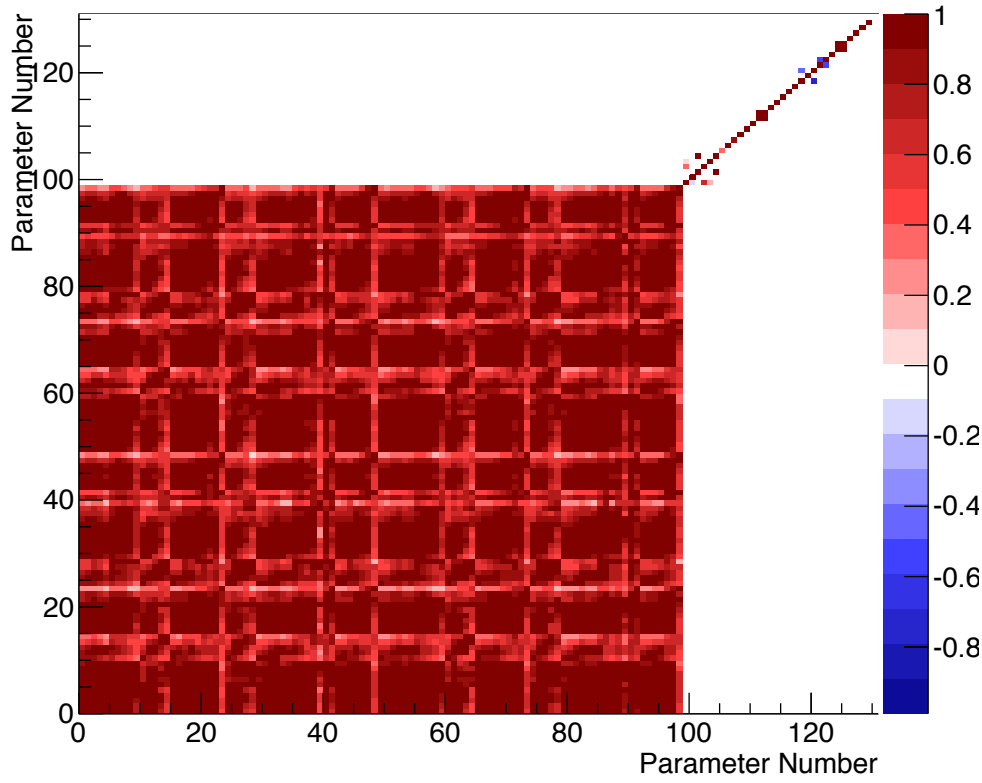
parameters using their prior probability distributions, and statistical throws are made to construct “toy” data. These toy experiments are fitted to understand the behaviour of the fitter.

4.3.3 Analysis Methodology

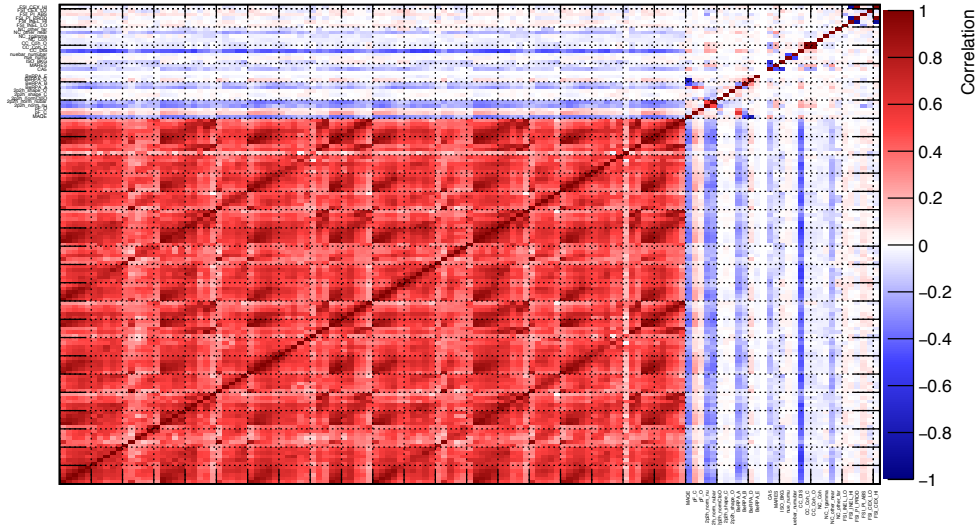
A binned log likelihood ratio, notated as $\Delta\chi_{\text{ND280}}^2$, is used in both BANFF and MaCh3 on the event samples from ND280. A set of systematic parameters have additional penalty terms applied, both MaCh3 and BANFF treat their systematics in the same way and apply the reweighting for each event. The BANFF framework uses statistical methodology that is Frequentist in nature, whilst MaCh3 uses a Bayesian approach using Markov Chain Monte Carlo to step through the parameter space.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta\chi_{\text{ND280}}^2 = & 2 \sum_i^{N \text{ bins}} \left(N_i^p(\vec{b}, \vec{x}, \vec{d}) - N_i^d + N_i^d \ln[N_i^d / N_i^p(\vec{b}, \vec{x}, \vec{d})] \right) + \\ & \sum_i^{N_b} \sum_j^{N_b} \Delta b_i (\mathbf{V}_b^{-1})_{i,j} \Delta b_j + \sum_i^{N_x} \sum_j^{N_x} \Delta x_i (\mathbf{V}_x^{-1})_{i,j} \Delta x_j + \\ & \sum_i^{N_d} \sum_j^{N_d} \Delta d_i (\mathbf{V}_d^{-1})_{i,j} \Delta d_j \end{aligned} \quad (4.10)$$

In eq. (4.10), $\Delta\chi_{\text{ND280}}^2 \equiv -2 \log L$ and N_i^d is the number of data events in the i^{th} bin, N_i^p is the number of predicted events, this term is a function of the flux, \vec{b} , cross section, \vec{x} , and detector \vec{d} systematic parameters. The first term in the equation captures the difference between the prediction and the data, whilst the remaining terms add penalty terms according to a covariance matrix \mathbf{V}_s , where $s = b, x, d$ are the matrices for the flux, cross section and detector effects respectively, and $\Delta b, \Delta x, \Delta d$ are the deviations of those parameters from the prior central values.



(a) Full prefit correlation matrix for flux and cross section parameters, the flux parameters follow the binning in table 4.3.



(b) Full postfit correlation matrix for flux and cross section parameters, the flux parameters follow the binning in table 4.3.

Figure 4.18: Prefit (a), and postfit correlation matrix for all flux and cross-section parameters (b) showing the resulting anticorrelation between flux and cross-section parameters. Reproduced from [168].

The correlation matrix resulting from the fit to the flux and cross-section parameter and which is used as a constraint for the oscillation analysis is shown in fig. 4.18. The 2p2h shape parameters caused difficulties in the fit due to hitting the boundary of the

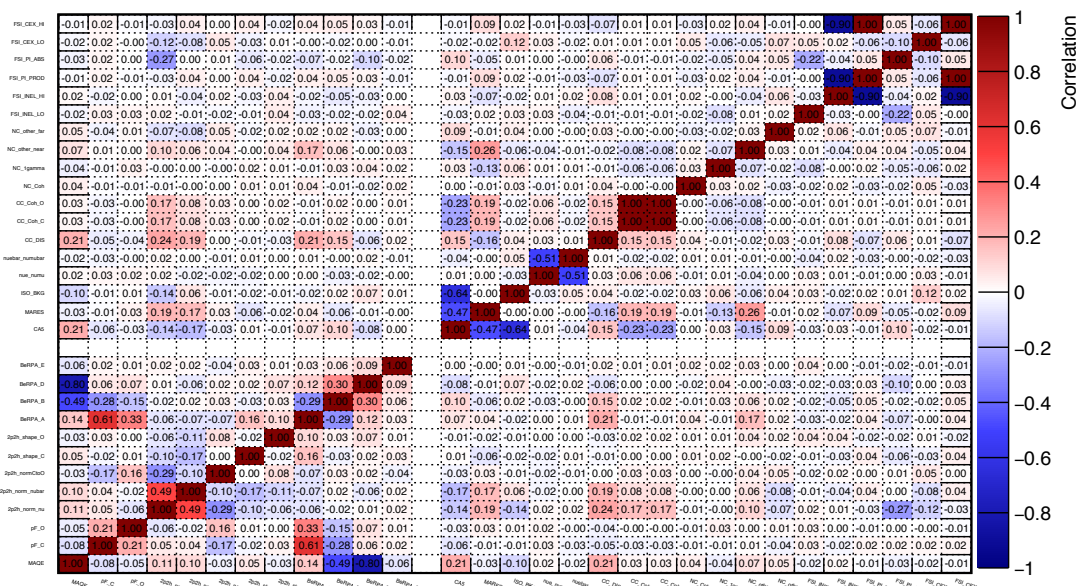


Figure 4.19: Postfit cross section parameters, considered by the near detector fit in the correlation matrix, as described in table 4.9. Reproduced from [168]

parameter values at 1 and not being able to retrieve correlations for those values. In order to retrieve errors and correlations for these values splines whose range is extended by making them symmetric around 1 were used. Studies showed that these splines do not affect the post-fit values of other parameters.

The prefit and postfit central values and uncertainties for the cross-section parameters are shown in table 4.10, along with the values for the flux in both FHC and RHC modes at Super-K in table 4.11. The predicted event rates pre/postfit are shown in table 4.12. The spectra generated with postfit parameter values for FGD1 and FGD2 are shown with data overlaid in figs. 4.20 to 4.26

<i>Parameter</i>	<i>PreFit</i>	<i>PostFit</i>
FSI_INEL_LO	0.0 ± 0.41	-0.32332 ± 0.081129
FSI_INEL_HI	0.0 ± 0.34	-0.0086159 ± 0.12846
FSI_PI_PROD	0.0 ± 0.5	0.040936 ± 0.18706
FSI_PI_ABS	0.0 ± 0.41	-0.34771 ± 0.14731
FSI_CEX_LO	0.0 ± 0.57	-0.088986 ± 0.30907
FSI_CEX_HI	0.0 ± 0.28	0.022924 ± 0.10475
MAQE(GeV/c ²)	1.2 ± 0.03	1.1314 ± 0.079024
pF_C(MeV/c)	217.0 ± 13.0	224.16 ± 13.295
pF_0(MeV/c)	225.0 ± 13.0	204.98 ± 15.083
2p2h_norm_nu	1.0 ± 1.0	1.5018 ± 0.1955
2p2h_norm_nubar	1.0 ± 1.0	0.726 ± 0.23125
2p2h_normCto0	1.0 ± 0.2	0.96392 ± 0.16657
2p2h_shape_C(%)	100.0 ± 300.0	200.22 ± 20.606
2p2h_shape_0(%)	100.0 ± 300.0	199.71 ± 34.746
BeRPA_A	0.59 ± 0.118	0.6878 ± 0.057308
BeRPA_B	1.05 ± 0.21	1.5993 ± 0.11727
BeRPA_D	1.13 ± 0.1695	0.96248 ± 0.13445
BeRPA_E	0.88 ± 0.352	0.8749 ± 0.35332
BeRPA_U	1.2 ± 0.1	1.2 ± 0.1
CA5	0.96 ± 0.15	0.97601 ± 0.064304
MARES(GeV/c ²)	1.07 ± 0.15	0.806 ± 0.044916
ISO_BKG	0.96 ± 0.4	1.3147 ± 0.25594
nue_numu	1.0 ± 0.028284	1.0 ± 0.028284
nuebar_numubar	1.0 ± 0.028284	1.0 ± 0.028284
CC_DIS	0.0 ± 0.4	0.38541 ± 0.19726
CC_Coh_C	1.0 ± 0.3	0.87408 ± 0.28178
CC_Coh_0	1.0 ± 0.3	0.87406 ± 0.28179
NC_Coh	1.0 ± 0.3	0.93795 ± 0.29744
NC_1gamma	1.0 ± 1.0	1.0 ± 1.0
NC_other_near	1.0 ± 0.3	1.208 ± 0.25613
NC_other_far	1.0 ± 0.3	1.0 ± 0.3

Table 4.10: Prefit and Postfit values of the cross section parameters that are considered in the near detector fit. Reproduced from [168].

<i>Parameter</i>	<i>PreFit</i>	<i>PostFit</i>
SKNuModeNumu0	1.0 ± 0.10255	1.012 ± 0.059199
SKNuModeNumu1	1.0 ± 0.10177	1.0333 ± 0.053822
SKNuModeNumu2	1.0 ± 0.092573	1.0164 ± 0.046599
SKNuModeNumu3	1.0 ± 0.084265	0.97575 ± 0.04375
SKNuModeNumu4	1.0 ± 0.10227	0.9291 ± 0.055734
SKNuModeNumu5	1.0 ± 0.084528	0.95065 ± 0.050403
SKNuModeNumu6	1.0 ± 0.066909	1.021 ± 0.04356
SKNuModeNumu7	1.0 ± 0.072355	1.0379 ± 0.045617
SKNuModeNumu8	1.0 ± 0.085299	1.0289 ± 0.043839
SKNuModeNumu9	1.0 ± 0.096725	0.98928 ± 0.044167
SKNuModeNumu10	1.0 ± 0.11411	0.96922 ± 0.053331
SKNuModeNumub0	1.0 ± 0.10313	0.97924 ± 0.07523
SKNuModeNumub1	1.0 ± 0.078327	0.9693 ± 0.049141
SKNuModeNumub2	1.0 ± 0.082367	0.98238 ± 0.058624
SKNuModeNumub3	1.0 ± 0.082121	1.0319 ± 0.063217
SKNuModeNumub4	1.0 ± 0.085123	1.0971 ± 0.066473
SKNuModeNue0	1.0 ± 0.090918	1.0161 ± 0.048301
SKNuModeNue1	1.0 ± 0.087065	1.0171 ± 0.044337
SKNuModeNue2	1.0 ± 0.082527	1.0157 ± 0.043157
SKNuModeNue3	1.0 ± 0.076514	1.0058 ± 0.041025
SKNuModeNue4	1.0 ± 0.075773	1.0245 ± 0.042331
SKNuModeNue5	1.0 ± 0.082078	1.0249 ± 0.044485
SKNuModeNue6	1.0 ± 0.092882	1.0344 ± 0.061478
SKNuModeNueb0	1.0 ± 0.071921	1.0436 ± 0.054925
SKNuModeNueb1	1.0 ± 0.12898	1.0838 ± 0.11501

<i>Parameter</i>	<i>PreFit</i>	<i>PostFit</i>
SKANuModeNumu0	1.0 ± 0.093954	0.98279 ± 0.067164
SKANuModeNumu1	1.0 ± 0.076369	0.98905 ± 0.050203
SKANuModeNumu2	1.0 ± 0.0749	1.003 ± 0.047121
SKANuModeNumu3	1.0 ± 0.078108	1.0502 ± 0.050704
SKANuModeNumu4	1.0 ± 0.077505	1.0431 ± 0.0465
SKANuModeNumub0	1.0 ± 0.10859	0.99926 ± 0.066429
SKANuModeNumub1	1.0 ± 0.10191	1.0134 ± 0.054275
SKANuModeNumub2	1.0 ± 0.092787	0.99398 ± 0.046643
SKANuModeNumub3	1.0 ± 0.082669	0.97346 ± 0.042743
SKANuModeNumub4	1.0 ± 0.10209	0.97181 ± 0.053869
SKANuModeNumub5	1.0 ± 0.087732	0.98659 ± 0.048507
SKANuModeNumub6	1.0 ± 0.068117	1.029 ± 0.044329
SKANuModeNumub7	1.0 ± 0.069902	1.0583 ± 0.048501
SKANuModeNumub8	1.0 ± 0.091711	1.0633 ± 0.065275
SKANuModeNumub9	1.0 ± 0.084736	1.0388 ± 0.058505
SKANuModeNumub10	1.0 ± 0.11549	0.99739 ± 0.094353
SKANuModeNue0	1.0 ± 0.066204	1.043 ± 0.048071
SKANuModeNue1	1.0 ± 0.082645	1.0378 ± 0.066228
SKANuModeNueb0	1.0 ± 0.095453	1.0052 ± 0.053129
SKANuModeNueb1	1.0 ± 0.088889	1.0042 ± 0.045099
SKANuModeNueb2	1.0 ± 0.085644	1.0025 ± 0.045486
SKANuModeNueb3	1.0 ± 0.078536	1.0068 ± 0.041601
SKANuModeNueb4	1.0 ± 0.075246	1.035 ± 0.05292
SKANuModeNueb5	1.0 ± 0.086384	1.0377 ± 0.065989
SKANuModeNueb6	1.0 ± 0.15251	1.0751 ± 0.13391

(a) FHC running mode flux parameters

(b) RHC running mode flux parameters

Table 4.11: Prefit and postfit values and uncertainties of the Super-K flux parameters for a FHC, and b RHC running modes, the parameterisation of the flux parameters is detailed in table 4.3. Reproduced from [168].

Sample	Data	Postfit	Prefit
FGD1 CC0 π	17136.00	17122.22	16723.69
FGD1 CC1 π	3954.00	4061.65	4381.48
FGD1 CCOther	4149.00	4095.58	3943.95
FGD1 Anu-CCQE	3527.00	3503.79	3587.65
FGD1 Anu-CCNQE	1054.00	1052.69	1066.91
FGD1 Nu-CCQE	1363.00	1353.44	1272.17
FGD1 Nu-CCNQE	1370.00	1354.02	1357.45
FGD2 CC0 π	17443.00	17494.56	16959.19
FGD2 CC1 π	3366.00	3416.28	3564.23
FGD2 CCOther	4075.00	3915.36	3570.95
FGD2 Anu-CCQE	3732.00	3685.46	3618.27
FGD2 Anu-CCNQE	1026.00	1097.38	1077.24
FGD2 Nu-CCQE	1320.00	1330.49	1262.63
FGD2 Nu-CCNQE	1253.00	1263.12	1246.71
Total	64768.00	64746.02	63632.53

Table 4.12: Event rates prefit and postfit compared to data, for the samples from both FGD1 and FGD2. Where Nu corresponds to ν Anu corresponds to $\bar{\nu}$. Reproduced from [168].

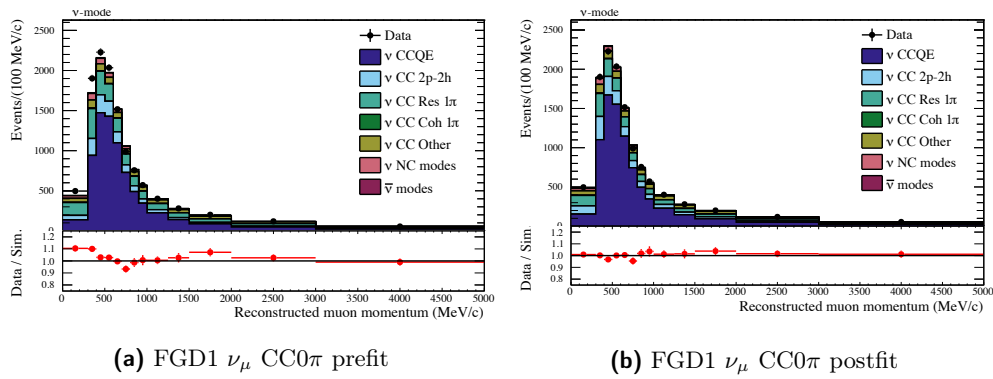


Figure 4.20: FGD1 MC momentum ν_μ CC0 π distribution with data overlaid for (a) FGD1 prefit, (b) postfit.

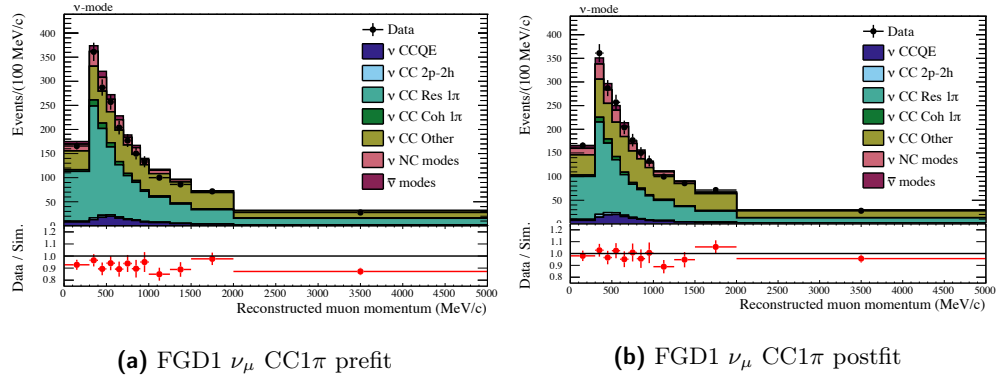


Figure 4.21: FGD1 MC momentum distribution with data overlaid for ν_μ CC1 π , (a) prefit, (b) postfit.

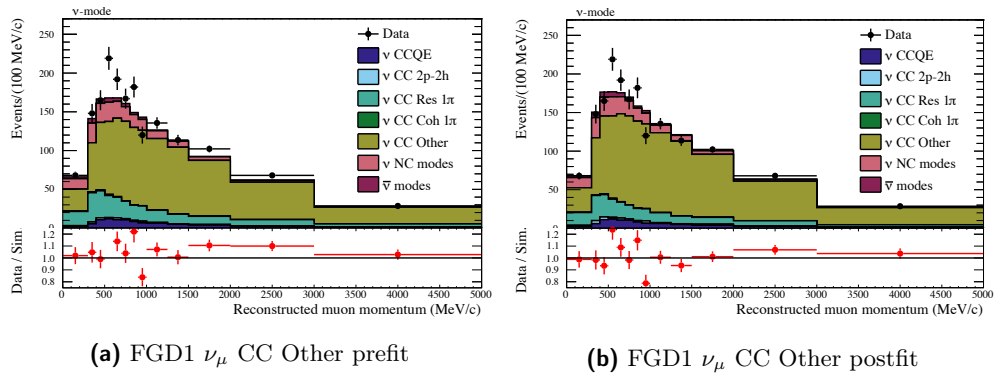


Figure 4.22: FGD1 MC momentum distribution with data overlaid for ν_μ CC Other, (a) prefit, (b) postfit.

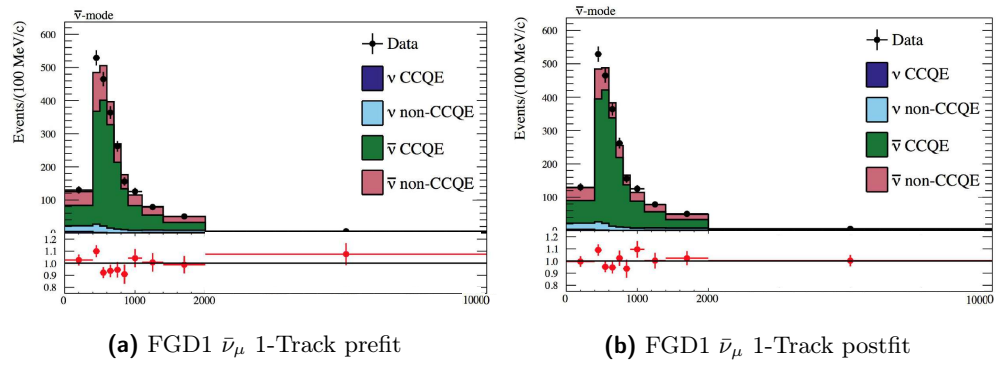


Figure 4.23: FGD1 MC momentum distribution with data overlaid for $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ 1-Track, (a) prefit, (b) postfit.

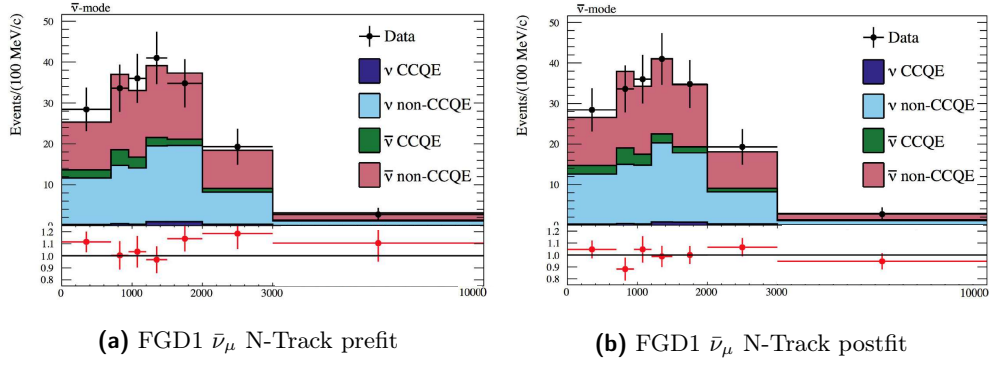


Figure 4.24: FGD1 MC momentum distribution with data overlaid for $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ N-Track, (a) prefit, (b) postfit.

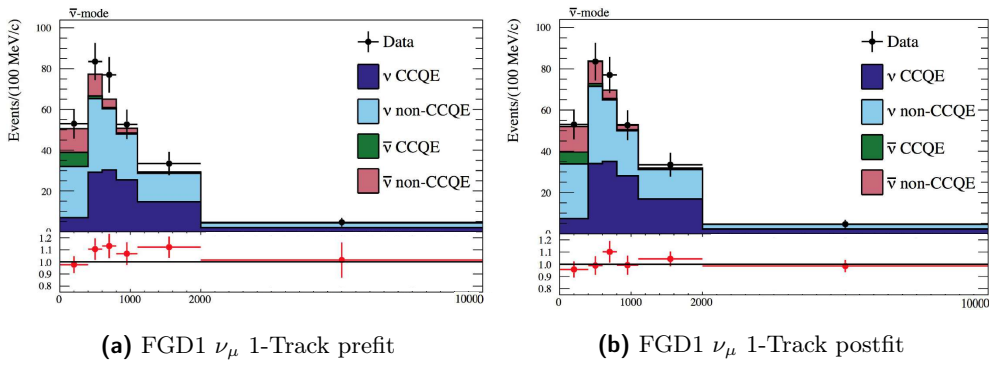


Figure 4.25: FGD1 MC momentum distribution with data overlaid for ν_μ 1-Track, (a) prefit, (b) postfit.

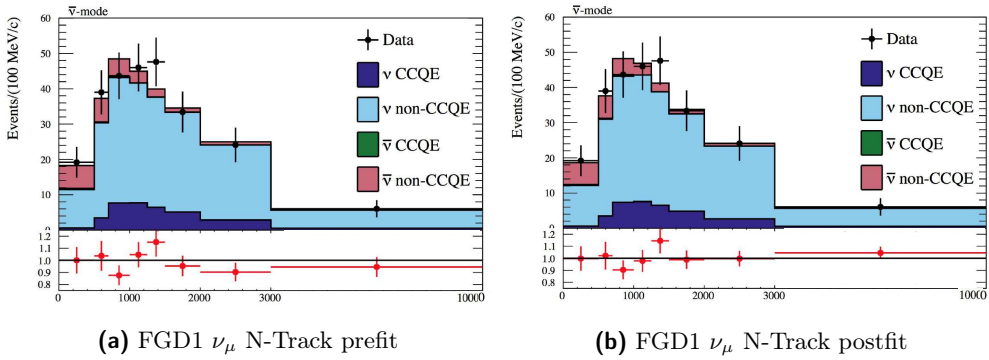


Figure 4.26: FGD1 MC momentum distribution with data overlaid for ν_μ N-Track, (a) prefit, (b) postfit.

4.4 Super-Kamiokande Samples

The data that is selected at Super-K undergoes a series of checks against atmospheric data and additional control samples from cosmic ray muons and their resulting decay Michel electrons. This analysis is the first that makes use of the fitQun algorithm, introduced in section 3.3.1 to perform the reconstruction of the events, which has been

used to perform a neutral pion background reduction, and is still used in the current analysis. NEUT 5.3.2 and SKDETSIM v13p90 are used in the analysis.

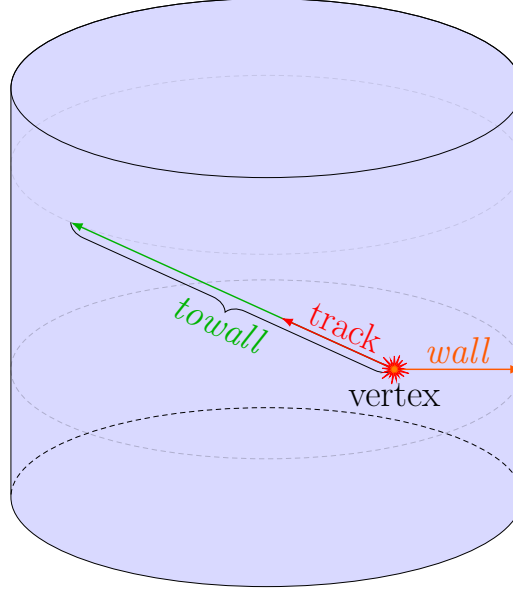


Figure 4.27: FitQun variables *wall* and *towall* which are used in the fiducial volume cuts, the *wall* variable is the minimum distance to the ID PMT wall from the reconstructed vertex, and *towall* is the distance along the particle track to the detector ID wall.

The beam data is first selected on the basis of good beam spills which are determined by the Super-K DAQ. Spills which are rejected by the pre-activity cut are increasing in the Super-K detector due to gain increase in the PMTs resulting in an increase in the low energy events. A timing window $[-2, +10] \mu\text{s}$ is applied to the beam spill's leading edge. Fully contained (FC) events are selected by requiring the activity in the outer detector (OD), $n_{hitac} < 16$, where n_{hitac} is the number of hits in the highest charge hit cluster. The fiducial volume (FV) sample is a sub-sample of the FC sample and is used in this analysis. The selection of FV samples is done by the fitQun algorithm, and are known as fully contained fiducial volume (FCFV) samples. Two variables, *wall* and *towall*, are used to determine if a sample is FCFV, rather than a single variable, *wall*, as was used by the previous APFit algorithm. The *wall* variable is the distance to the nearest inner detector (ID) wall from the interaction vertex, and *towall* is the distance to the ID wall along the path of the particle direction vector from the vertex, as illustrated in fig. 4.27. Due to differences in the optimum values for the *wall* and *towall* variables for the electron and muon hypotheses, an additional fiducial volume definition $\text{FCFV}_{\text{floor}}$, is made using values of the *wall* and *towall* variables, using the minimum allowed values used in the optimisation study of the FV, which are $wall > 50 \text{ cm}$ and $towall > 150 \text{ cm}$ [169], and will be discussed in section 4.5.2. The visible energy condition is, $E_{\text{vis}} > 30 \text{ MeV}$, which is the observed Cherenkov light in an event that would be produced by an electron at that energy.

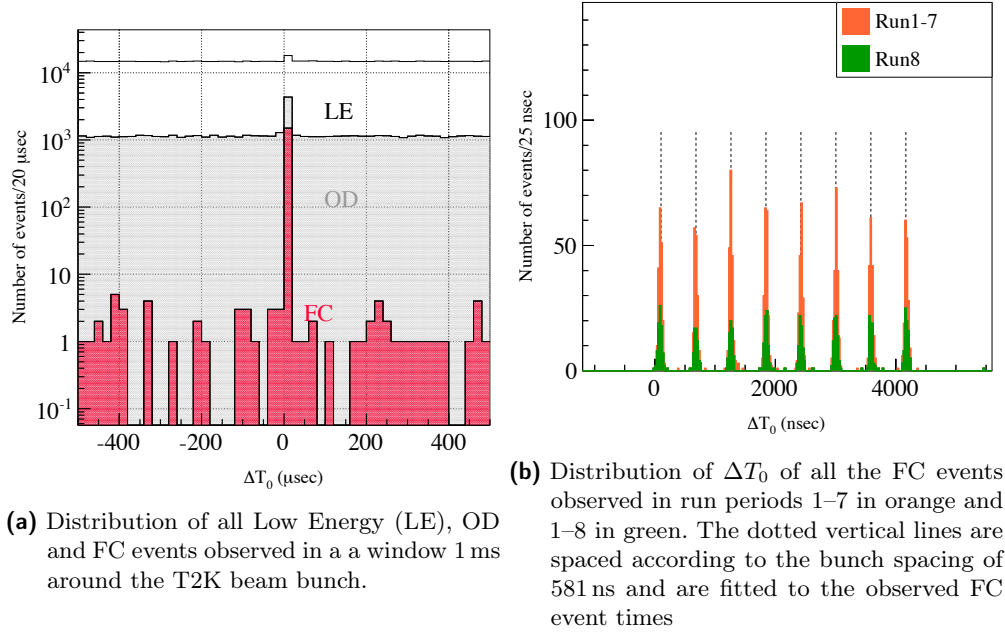


Figure 4.28: Distributions of ΔT_0 at Super-K. Reproduced from [95]

4.4.1 FiTQun Based Sample Selection

The criteria that are used for the $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ event selection are

- Fully contained in the SK inner detector (ID) and reconstructed inside the fiducial volume ($wall > 80$ cm, $towall > 170$ cm)
- The number of rings that are found by the fiTQun multi-ring fitter is one
- The ring is identified as electron-like by fiTQun single-ring fitter
- The visible energy, $E_{\text{vis}} > 100$ MeV (use p_e in practice)
- No decay electrons
- The reconstructed neutrino energy ($E_{\nu}^{\text{rec}} < 1250$ MeV)
- Neutral pion rejection cut: $\ln(L_{\pi^0}/L_e) < 175 - 0.875m_{\gamma\gamma}$, L_{π^0} is the likelihood from the dedicated π^0 fit, and m_{π^0} is the the fitted π^0 mass.

The Super-K fiducial volume cut is optimised for sensitivity to δ_{CP} , which is described in greater detail in section 4.4.2. For the ν_e sample an increase of $\sim 22\%$ in the $\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e$ signal and a proportional increase in background is observed by application of the cuts

Sample	Data	Run 8	Scaled Runs 1-7 (neutrino-mode)	
		MC $\sin^2\theta_{13}=0.02$	Data	MC $\sin^2\theta_{13}=0.02$
FC	578	591.4	657.8 ± 25.7	596.4
Floor-FCFV	478	484.2	524.0 ± 23.0	488.2
Sample-FCFV	488	495.3	538.1 ± 23.3	499.4
Single Ring	203	207.4	224.3 ± 15.0	209.8
1R μ -like	138	145.7	141.8 ± 11.9	147.5
$p_\mu > 200 \text{ MeV}/c$	138	145.6	140.8 ± 11.9	147.4
1R e -like	65	61.7	82.5 ± 9.1	62.2
$p_e > 100 \text{ MeV}/c$	55	54.6	72.4 ± 8.5	55.0
Multi-ring	285	287.9	313.8 ± 17.8	289.6
MR μ -like	147	130.0	142.8 ± 12.0	130.7
MR e -like	123	144.3	153.9 ± 12.4	145.2
FC non-FV	66	66.9	85.5 ± 9.3	67.5

Figure 4.29: Events in Run 8 data (7.170×10^{20} POT) and MC with oscillations applied, compared to the number of events in runs 1-7 (7.565×10^{20} POT) scaled to Run 8 exposure. Reproduced from [95].

compared to the previous set. Similarly for the $\bar{\nu}_e$ sample also see the same $\sim 22\%$ in the $\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e$ signal and a $\sim 29\%$ increase in background.

The neutrino energy reconstruction equation used at Super-K for CCQE events is,

$$E_\nu^{\text{rec}} = \frac{(M_n - V_{\text{nuc}}) \cdot E_l - m_l^2/2 + M_n \cdot V_{\text{nuc}} - V_{\text{nuc}}^2/2 + (M_p^2 - M_n^2)/2}{M_n - V_{\text{nuc}} - E_l + P_l \cos(\theta_{\text{beam}})} \quad (4.11)$$

where $M_{n,p}$ are the masses of the neutron and proton, V_{nuc} is the binding energy of the neutron in oxygen, m_l is the energy of the charged lepton, E_l is the total lepton energy, and θ_{beam} is the angle between the outgoing charged lepton and the beam, and P_l is the lepton momentum. Equation (4.11) is based on the assumption of a bound nucleon at rest and two body kinematics for the nucleon and lepton [170].

The criteria that are used for the 1-ring $\nu_e\text{-CC}1\pi^+$ event selection are

- Fully contained in the SK inner detector (ID) and reconstructed inside the fiducial volume ($_{\text{wall}} > 50 \text{ cm}$, $_{\text{toward}} > 270 \text{ cm}$)
- The number of rings that are found by the fitQun multi-ring fitter is one
- The ring is identified as electron-like by fitQun single-ring fitter
- The visible energy, $E_{\text{vis}} > 100 \text{ MeV}$ (use p_e in practice)
- The number of decay electrons is one.
- The reconstructed neutrino energy ($E_{\nu_e\text{CC}\Delta}^{\text{rec}} < 1250 \text{ MeV}$)

- Neutral pion rejection cut: $\ln(L_{\pi^0}/L_e) < 175 - 0.875 m_{\gamma\gamma}$, L_{π^0} is the likelihood from the dedicated π^0 fit, and m_{π^0} is the the fitted π^0 mass.

The selection criteria are identical up to the decay electron cut, the neutrino energy reconstruction is determined by

$$E_{\nu_e CC\Delta}^{\text{rec}} = \frac{2M_n E_e + M_{\Delta^{++}}^2 - M_n^2 - M_e^2}{2(M_n - E_e + p_e \cos \theta_e)}, \quad (4.12)$$

where $M_{\Delta^{++}}$ is the Δ^{++} resonance mass, E_e is the reconstructed electron energy and p_e is the reconstructed momentum for the electron and θ_e is the angle between the beam and outgoing electron. Since the reaction is considered as a two body process with a Δ baryon recoil, the nuclear binding potential is not included in the reconstruction [171]. There is an observed increase in the $\nu_e + \bar{\nu}_e$ signal of $\sim 33\%$ and significantly a 70% reduction of the $\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC background which has a large associated systematic uncertainty.

The criteria that are used for the $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ event selection are

1. Fully contained in the SK inner detector (ID), by (OD) classification and reconstructed inside the fiducial volume ($wall > 50 \text{ cm}$, $towall > 250 \text{ cm}$)
2. The number of rings that are found by the fitQun multi-ring fitter is one
3. The ring is identified as muon-like by fitQun single-ring fitter: $\ln(L_e/L_\mu) < 0.2p_e$
4. The reconstructed momentum of the single-ring muon-like hypothesis, $p_\mu > 200 \text{ MeV}$
5. The number of decay electrons is one or zero
6. fitQun π^+ rejection cut: $\ln(L_{\pi^+}/L_\mu) < 0.15p_\mu$, L_{π^+} is the likelihood of the single-ring π^+ hypothesis.

The 6th cut will be described in more detail in section 4.4.2. The event composition that is reconstructed by fitQun is different to APFit, namely more multi-ring events are reconstructed, a $\sim 40\%$ reduction in CCnonQE, and $\sim 50\%$ reduction in NC events remain after the single-ring cut and an $\sim 13\%$ increase in the $\nu_\mu + \bar{\nu}_\mu$ signal. For the $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ sample the same improvements are seen. The sample composition after the cuts described are shown with the data in fig. 4.30 for cuts 1–4 and fig. 4.31 shows cuts 5 and 6 along with a summary of the events that pass each of the selection cuts. The momentum cut, shown in fig. 4.30(c) is intended to reduce the number of CC non QE events in the sample.

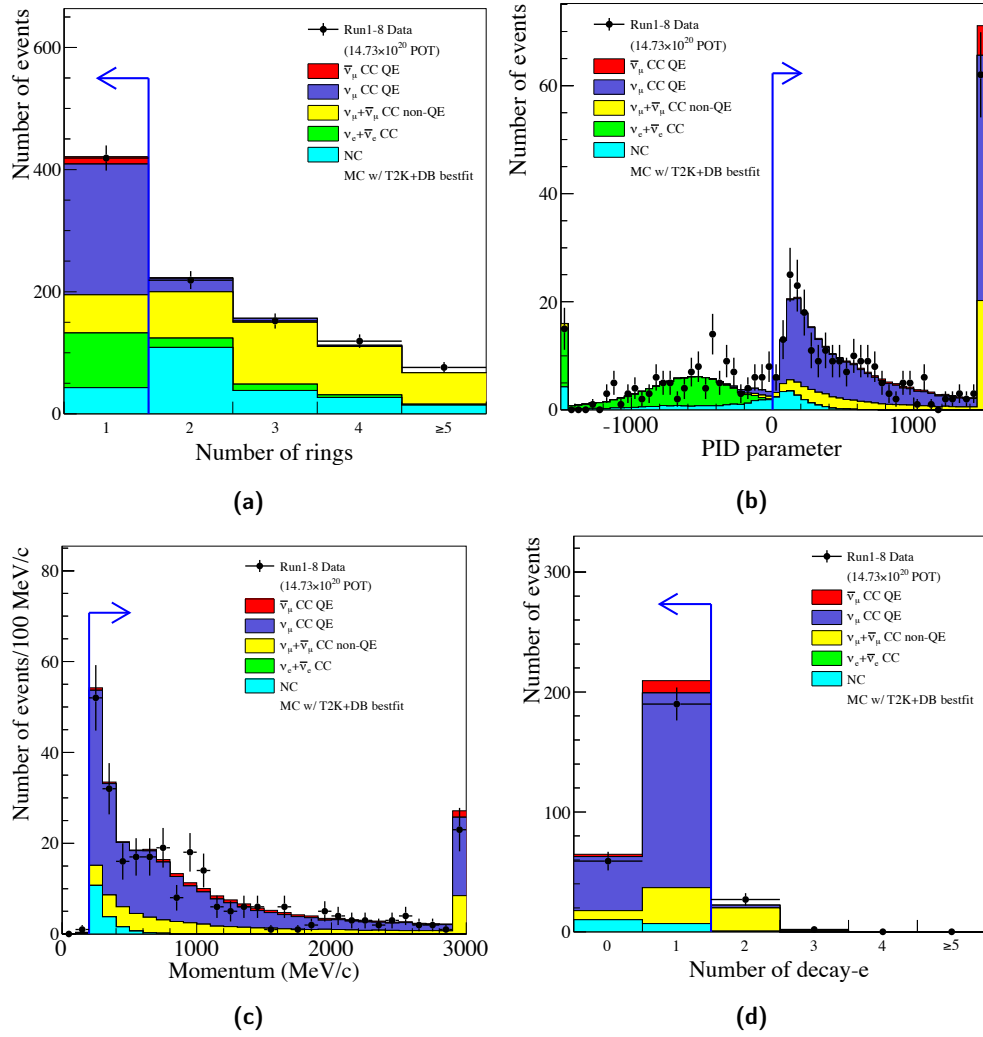


Figure 4.30: Monte Carlo overlaid with data for each of cuts for the 1 Ring μ sample described in section 4.4.1, (a) is the number of rings cut, cut (b) is μ identification, (c) is the momentum cut, and (d) is the cut on the number of decay electrons, reproduced from [95]. The graphical representation of the cuts is continued in fig. 4.31.

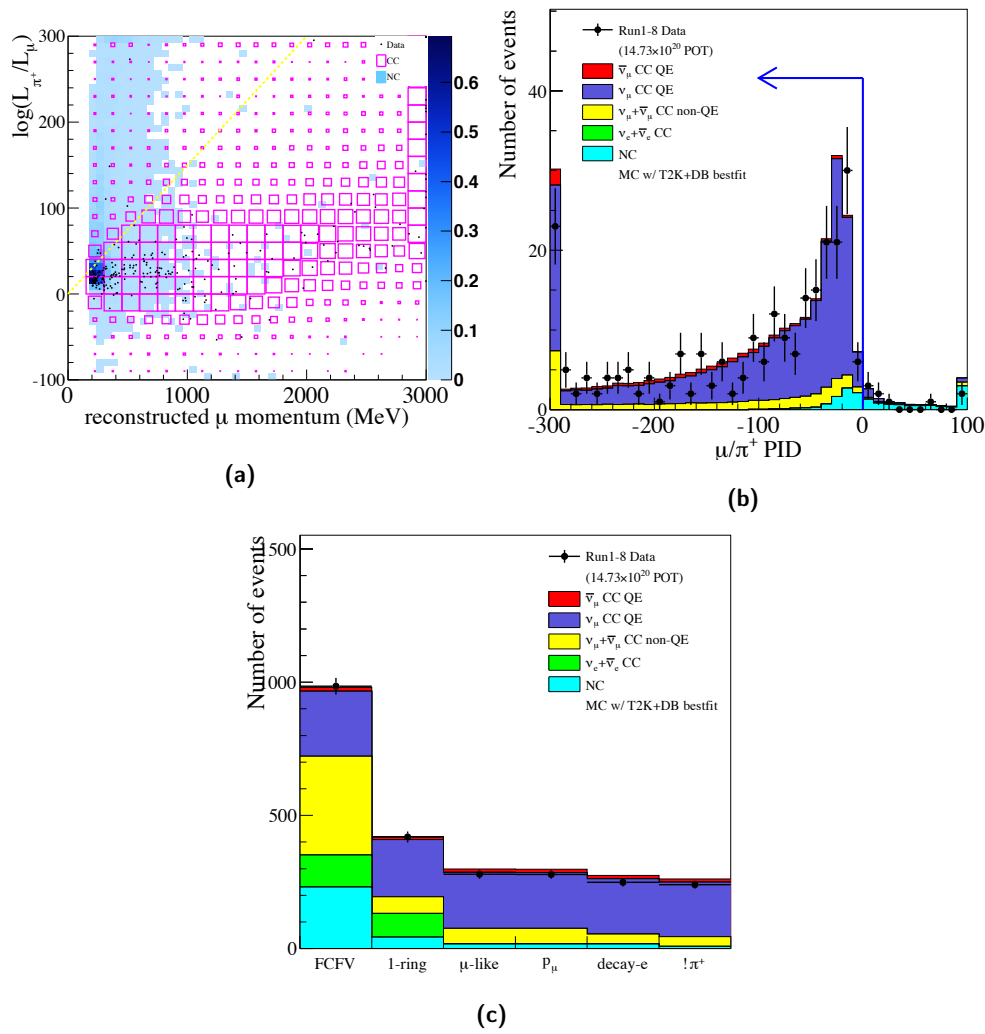


Figure 4.31: Event distributions after each of the cuts described in section 4.4.1, continued from fig. 4.30. The location of the π^+ cut is shown in the likelihood momentum space (a), (b) shows the cut on the MC overlaid with data, and finally the number of events passing each cut is shown in (c). Reproduced from [95]

4.4.2 Event Selection Optimisation

Oscillation analyses at T2K prior to the one described in this thesis, those by the the VALOR (VALOR) group are detailed in section 5.2, have employed a cut which is used to remove the π^0 background which makes up the major background to ν_e appearance. However the location of the cut was not studied in detail and further capabilities within fitQun are available. These include the reduction of $\text{NC}1\pi^+$ which is a large background which could not previously be removed for the ν_μ disappearance. The background component and signal components typically have very different systematic uncertainties, e.g. 55 % compared to $\sim 3\%$ in $\text{NC}1\pi^+$ [172], which complicates the task of preserving signal statistics. For the event selection the sensitivity to the oscillation parameter $\delta_{\text{CP}} \neq 0$ is used to optimise the π^0 cut, and precision of the parameter $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ for the π^+ cut. Systematic parameters are implemented in a different way to the official oscillation analyses, and will be detailed below.

The fits used to determine the sensitivity to the oscillation parameters are determined using the fitter described in [173]. A joint fit of FHC and RHC channels in appearance and disappearance is made. The number of events, N_i for a neutrino type, i , in reconstructed energy, E_r is predicted by

$$N_i(E_r) = \sum_{E_t} \sum_j R_{ij}(E_t, E_r) P_{ij}(E_t) \quad (4.13)$$

the neutrino types i , $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_\mu$, $\nu_e \rightarrow \nu_e$, $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ and the same for antineutrinos. The index j runs over the interaction types. The true and reconstructed energies are E_t and E_r respectively. An unoscillated map, $R_{ij}(E_t, E_r)$, is made from T2K events passing all cuts, this contains flux, cross-section and efficiency information. The oscillation probability is $P_{ij}(E_t)$ and is calculated by the Prob3++ [174] package.

In section 5.5 a fuller treatment of the systematic parameters will be given where the systematic parameters which affect both the shape and normalisation of the neutrino energy spectra will be described. For the event selection optimisation a simple treatment is used where the total systematic uncertainties on the reconstructed energy and the correlations on a bin-by-bin basis are used. The matrix resulting from the near detector fit section 4.3 is used to randomly throw 1000 sets of systematic error parameters, weights are generated and saved for each MC event using T2KReWeight if implemented, or are otherwise added manually. Another set of 1000 parameters generated from the Super-K detector and FSI/SI+PN covariance matrix, this matrix is binned in APfit reconstructed energy neutrino flavour and interaction mode, fitQun SK+FSI/SI+PN errors were not available at the time of the study but are not expected to change significantly when altering the reconstruction algorithm. A total weight is then generated from the product of the BANFF and SK+FSI/SI+PN matrices. Energy distributions are then generated from each of the 1000 parameter sets, and a covariance matrix is generated using the

bin-to-bin correlations of the energy distributions

$$\sigma_{ij}^{E_{\text{rec}}} = \frac{1}{1000} \sum_{k=1}^{1000} (N_i^k - N_i^0)(N_j^k - N_j^0) \quad (4.14)$$

where the sum is over k systematic parameter sets for the expected number of events, N_i^k in the i^{th} bin, and N_i^0 is the number of events for the nominal distribution (the parameter set which corresponds to the nominal values from the fits). A fractional covariance matrix is used in the fit which is defined as

$$\sigma_{ij}^{\text{err}} = \frac{\sigma_{ij}^{E_{\text{rec}}}}{N_i^0 N_j^0}. \quad (4.15)$$

The covariance matrix eq. (4.14), and fractional error matrix eq. (4.15), are re-generated for the fitQun cut in each iteration. The energy scale uncertainty is not applied as it has a negligible effect [175] and are looking for the relative difference in sensitivities from varying cuts.

In the ν_μ disappearance sample the systematic uncertainty of the NC1 π^+ background is 55 % [172], with an expectation for all NC events 13 % of the total sample rate, compared to $\sim 3\%$ for the uncertainty on the signal. This is the main background for ν_μ disappearance and can be reduced by use of a single-ring π^+ likelihood. The cuts for the NC1 π^+ background are made in $\ln(L_{\pi^+}/L_\mu)$ vs. p_μ space and are parameterised as a straight line ($y = a_\mu x + b_\mu$), the same approach is taken for the π^0 $\ln(L_{\pi^0}/L_e)$ vs. p_e and ($y = a_e x + b_e$). Pairs of a_μ, b_μ variables are iterated over in a grid, where at every point a new systematic uncertainty covariance matrix is generated and a fit to determine the sensitivity to $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ is made, the optimisation with systematics favours more aggressive cuts, sacrificing efficiency for lower background rates, plots of the $\Delta\chi^2$ surface are shown in section 4.4.2 and fig. 4.33. For the π^0 cut the same procedure as previously followed but using pairs of a_e, b_e values the significance of $\delta_{\text{CP}} \neq 0$ is evaluated, the optimum value found using this procedure yields only a very small difference in significance so the existing cut was left unaltered. For the one-ring CC π^+ sample no optimisation was run. The results of the optimisation were outlined in section 4.4.1 where the sample selection cuts are described.

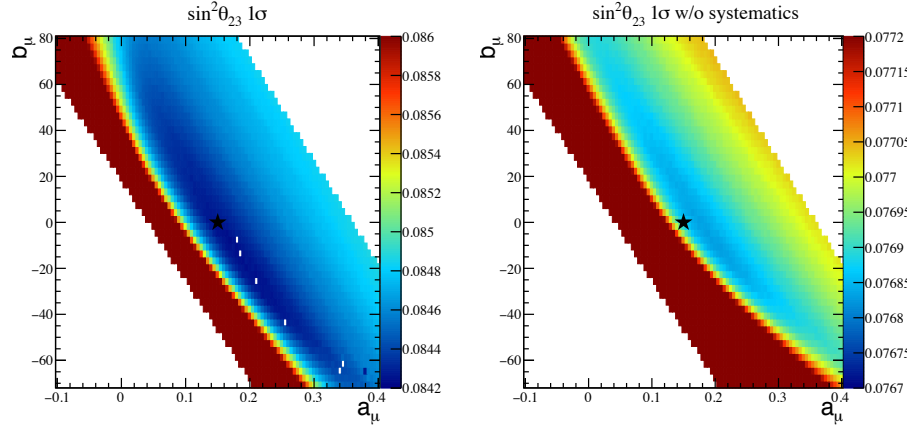


Figure 4.32: $1\text{-}\sigma$ width of the $\Delta\chi^2$ curve left for the oscillation parameter $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ as a function of the parameters a_μ, b_μ . Systematics are neglected in the plot on the right and included on the left. Reproduced from [176].

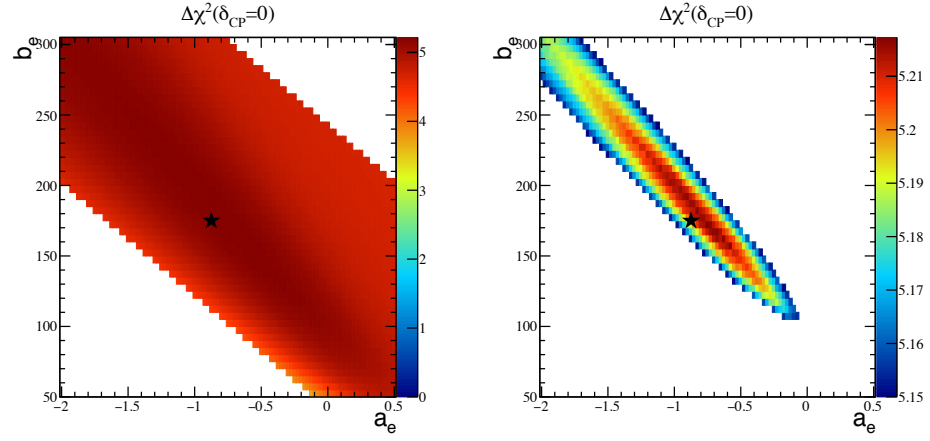


Figure 4.33: Significance to reject $\delta_{CP} \neq 0$ as a function of the parameters a_e, b_e . The right plot shows part of the $\Delta\chi^2$ surface on the left in a more finely graded scale, the star shows the selected parameter values for the π^0 cut. Reproduced from [176].

4.5 Super Kamiokande Detector and Final State Interactions

Systematic uncertainties that are unique to the Super-K detector can be grouped into three categories: detector selection uncertainties, final state interaction uncertainties and secondary interaction uncertainties. Each of the parameters in these categories takes the form of a normalisation on the content of a particular bin. The contributions from each source are binned in the same way and this means that the contributions from each of the error sources can be combined in an overall covariance matrix.

4.5.1 Super-K FSI and SI Errors

The analysis method that was used to evaluate the FSI and SI errors is presented in section 4.2.2. These are propagated to Super-K by reweighting each parameter set described in table 4.5 and building a covariance matrix with the same binning as the Super-K detector covariance matrix. The covariance matrix that is produced including the photo-nuclear effect (PN) FSI+SI+PN is presented in fig. 4.34. Photo-nuclear interactions occur when a photon from a π^0 decay is absorbed by the nucleus.

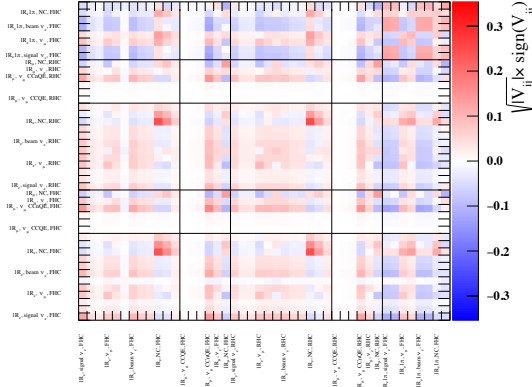


Figure 4.34: The FSI+SI+PN covariance matrix for Super-K, reproduced from [134].

4.5.2 Fiducial Volume Optimisation and Detector Systematic Evaluation

The detector systematics are evaluated with the fitQun algorithm. Improvements to: decay electron tagging efficiency and false tag rate, mis-PID rate of CC ν_μ interactions, vertex position and, NC pion background, have been made. This analysis was also performed in conjunction with the fiducial volume optimisation which is increased compared to previous analyses.

The cuts defining the fiducial volume from which the sample selection is made for the T2K analysis have remained largely unchanged since the first oscillation analysis. The fitQun algorithm offers improved resolution of the neutrino interaction vertex, and simulated data studies show parts of the large, $\sim 30\%$ of the FV, regions previously rejected by the 200 cm cut can be reconstructed successfully. Since the event selection by fitQun represents significant change to the event selection the detector systematics need to be re-evaluated. The systematics vary across the detector regions, and areas with similar systematics are selected and evaluated via a fit to the Super-K atmospheric data. This is performed in conjunction with the updated fitQun event selection which is discussed in section 4.4.1. Finally the detector systematics for the sample selections are evaluated by a toy MC method.

m	fitQun variable name	Prior Constraint σ_{β_m}
0	e/μ PID	200
1	e/π^0 PID	200
2	μ/π PID	200
3	Ring-Counting	100

Table 4.13: Variables and prior constraints of the fitQun for the detector systematics evaluation.

The atmospheric neutrino fit is used to extract a set of systematic error parameters, \vec{d}_{SK} which characterise the fitQun reconstruction performance, \vec{d}_{SK} should capture the difference between running on Super-K atmospheric data and MC simulation. Here we assume that the differences are from the mis-modelling of the detector properties. This is done by maximisation (sampling in MCMC terms) of a likelihood described by,

$$L(\vec{a}, \vec{x}_{\text{atm}}, \vec{d}_{\text{SK}} | \vec{M}_{\text{SK}}) = P(\vec{M}_{\text{Atm-SK}} | \vec{a}, \vec{x}_{\text{atm}}, \vec{d}_{\text{SK}}) \cdot \pi(\vec{a}) \cdot \pi(\vec{x}_{\text{atm}}) \cdot \pi(\vec{d}_{\text{SK}}), \quad (4.16)$$

where \vec{a} are atmospheric neutrino flux parameters, \vec{x}_{atm} the atmospheric cross section parameters, $\vec{M}_{\text{Atm-SK}}$ is the Super-K atmospheric data, and $\pi(\vec{a}), \pi(\vec{x}_{\text{atm}}), \pi(\vec{d}_{\text{SK}})$ are priors on each of the parameters. The choice of \vec{d}_{SK} is not unique and has varied depending on the particular analysis that was being run, in this case the fitQun cut variables were modified that define the event selections for ν_e and ν_μ , there are four of these variables, labelled m described in table 4.13 . Each event has the m^{th} cut variable, L_m associated with a parameter β^0 and β^1

$$L'_m = \beta^1 L_m + \beta^0, \quad (4.17)$$

here β^0 shifts the whole distribution whilst β^1 is a multiplicative scaling parameter which gives additional flexibility to the fit.

Precise knowledge of the true distributions for the atmospheric data sample that is used to constrain the Super-K detector errors is not available. This complicates the analysis goal of extracting the detector systematics independently of the T2K flux and cross section systematics. Although the flux is different, in principle the cross section systematics should be captured by the same model, and performing a joint fit is under study. The Super-K detector uncertainties are instead estimated with the available atmospheric neutrino data.

Different event topologies are taken into account by fitting independently for the different likelihoods that are used in fitQun, 6 different event MC component classes, listed in table 4.14, are taken into account. These components are defined based on topology identification and retaining sufficient statistics to provide a meaningful constraint. Events are then further subdivided by location and the *wall* and *towall* variables see fig. 4.27 for a diagram. Events are better imaged when they hit a larger number of PMTs, this

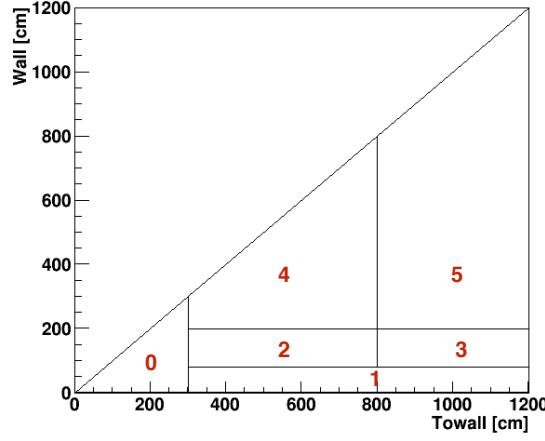


Figure 4.35: Defined detector regions in terms of the *wall* and *towall* regions, zoomed into the small *wall* and *towall* regions

MC Component k	Name	Definition (from MC truth)
0	Single e	Single visible electron ring
1	Single μ	Single visible muon ring
2	e -like + Other	Visible electron ring with other visible rings
3	μ -like + Other	Visible muon ring with other visible rings
4	Single π^0	Single visible π^0
5	Single Hadron	Single visible proton or pion

Table 4.14: MC component classes that are used in the atmospheric fit, these are based on the true visible topology. Reproduced from [169]

can occur when the event vertex is near the ID wall but points inwards to the detector, and are more poorly imaged when the same vertex points outwards and hits few PMTs. In order to optimise the cuts, the variation of the detector systematics over different *wall* and *towall* regions needs to be known. Bins were made of the detector regions, varying both *wall* and *towall* simultaneously, to produce 6 regions, see fig. 4.35, with each of these bins being parameterised using the same model as eq. (4.17).

Cuts are made that can be applied to both the MC and the atmospheric data, without using the fitQun cut variables since the study aims to measure their uncertainties. Initial cuts are made on the number of decay electrons table 4.15, this is intended to achieve better resolution of the systematic uncertainties for each component. Any shifts in the likelihood estimations should not depend on the number of sub-events, which is one plus the number of decay electrons seen. A normalisation is introduced instead for each sample in each detector region bin $\gamma_{l,j}$ in eq. (4.18). The decay electron tagging efficiency from cosmic muon tagging is described in [177]. The full model includes

$$\{\alpha_n, \beta_{j,k,m}^i, \gamma_{j,l}\}, \quad (4.18)$$

the index $i = 0, 1$ represents the multiplicative or additive detector systematic parameters described by eq. (4.17), j is one of 6 detector region bin as shown in fig. 4.35, The index

MC Component l	Definition (from MC truth)
1	$\mathbf{fqnse} = 1$
2	$\mathbf{fqnse} = 2$
3	$\mathbf{fqnse} > 2$

Table 4.15: Sample cuts applied to both the data and the MC events, for the number of decay electrons \mathbf{fqnse} . Reproduced from [169]

k is one of 6 the MC components, a full list contained in table 4.14, l , the 3 sample cuts for data and MC as shown in table 4.15, and m the 4 fitQun variables defined in table 4.13. There are a total of 325 parameters in the fit, broken down into 288 β detector systematic parameters, 19 α_n parameters for atmospheric flux and cross section and 18 $\gamma_{j,l}$ sample normalisations. These parameters are constrained in the fit by fitting to the full fitQun variables, which provide shape information in the fit which is important for the regions where $wall$ and $towall$ are small and statistics become the limiting factor. This procedure also makes the detector systematics estimation a separate process from the cut optimisation process .

The negative log likelihood minimised in the fit is

$$-\log \left[L \left(\alpha, \beta, \gamma \mid \vec{h}^{\text{Data}} \right) \right] = -\log \left[P \left\{ \vec{h}^{\text{Data}} \mid \vec{h}^{\text{MC}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \right\} \right] - \log[\pi(\alpha)] - \log[\pi(\beta, \gamma)] \quad (4.19)$$

$\vec{h}^{\text{MC}} \equiv h_{j,l,m}^{\text{MC}}$ is a set of histograms filled from the simulation, likewise the set of histograms $\vec{h}^{\text{Data}} \equiv h_{j,l,m}^{\text{Data}}$ are filled from atmospheric data . The terms on the right hand side of eq. (4.19) can be expanded in terms of the parameters making it up which leads to an expression

$$\begin{aligned} -\log \left[L \left(\alpha, \beta, \gamma \mid \vec{h}^{\text{Data}} \right) \right] = & \sum_s \sum_j \sum_l \sum_m \left[\left(\hat{N}_{s,j,l,m}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) - N_{s,j,l,m} \right) + N_{s,j,l,m} \log \left(\frac{N_{s,j,l,m}}{\hat{N}_{s,j,l,m}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)} \right) \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_n \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(\alpha_n - 1)}{\sigma_{\alpha_n}} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(\gamma_{j,l} - 1)}{\sigma_{j,l}} \right)^2 + \sum_i \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{(\beta_{j,l,m}^i - \delta_{i,l})}{\sigma_{\beta_m}} \right)^2 \right]. \end{aligned} \quad (4.20)$$

A sum is taken over all the bins, s where N_s are the observed events in the bin and \hat{N}_s is the Poisson mean expectation, the remaining squared terms are priors for the fit parameters. The priors are taken as gaussian with a width σ around a nominal value for the parameter. The procedure used to evaluate eq. (4.20) is to fill histograms for each fitQun cut variable detector region and sample based on the number of decay electrons, and to do the same for simulated data with the inclusion of the components based on the knowledge of the true visible topology. The sums are then evaluated for the simulation, to remove the true topology dependence, and allow comparison to data and evaluation

of the bin-wise log-likelihood, finally the prior contributions are summed, with the loose priors listed in table 4.13.

In order to find the data favoured regions in the parameter space along with their correlations Markov chain Monte Carlo (MCMC) is used. The Metropolis-Hastings algorithm is used [178], with a modified proposal function to deal with the strongly correlated parameters in the analysis by using ideas from Differential Evolution MCMC (DE-MCMC) [179], which employs a modified sampling of the parameter space to converge more rapidly on the set of parameters which minimise the likelihood.

Ideally the optimum fiducial volume cuts would be determined based on the sensitivity to the oscillation parameters, this approach is taken in section 4.4.2 but does not fully account for the systematic parameters due to computational restrictions. A simplified measure is used instead which takes into account statistics, purity and uncertainty. This “figure of merit” (F.O.M.) is described by

$$\text{F.O.M.} = \frac{\left(\frac{\partial \hat{N}}{\partial \theta}\right)^2}{\hat{N} + \sigma_{\text{syst}}^2} \quad (4.21)$$

where \hat{N} is the MC prediction which approximates the number of events $N(\theta_{\text{true}})$ for an oscillation parameter θ drawn from a Poisson distribution. The eq. (4.21) assumes that the total uncertainty is the sum of the statistical uncertainty and systematic in quadrature \hat{N} , and σ_{syst}^2 respectively.

The atmospheric fit results previously determined are used as the posterior Markov chain to determine the systematic uncertainties in each detector region. A random set of fit parameters is chosen from the posterior MCMC, a loop over the T2K events is made and for each event the fitQun cut variables are modified using the parameterisation in eq. (4.17). Then a check is made if the event passes any of the T2K selection cuts and add to count of events passing cut by detector region and category. Repeat the procedure. This generates a set of toy distributions for each region and category in table 4.14 from which two quantities are extracted. The mean of the distribution of toy experiments is compared to the nominal MC value and the fractional difference is extracted, the square root of the variance is also obtained, these are referred to as the “shift error” and the “fit error”. The total uncertainty is made up of the the sum of errors in quadrature.

The fitQun energy reconstruction is biased in regions of the detector with $wall \leq 50$ cm and $towall \leq 150$ cm and so values larger than this are used as a constraint in the figure of merit calculation, this also excludes effects from the PMT structure near the ID wall which are not simulated and assumptions about the PMT geometry.

A total systematic uncertainty weight is assigned which is based on

$$w_{\text{syst}} = w_{\text{detector}} + w_{\text{xsec}} + w_{\text{entering}}, \quad (4.22)$$

w_{detector} is taken from the fractional uncertainty from MC toys, w_{xsec} is drawn from the table , and w_{entering} is applied only to the category of entering events. The FV cut optimisation procedure is to take a particular region in $(towall, wall)$, a loop over all events is made and $\partial\hat{N}/\partial\theta$ and σ_{syst}^2 are calculated, and finally eq. (4.21) is calculated, this is iterated for many $(towall, wall)$ values. The point which maximises the figure of merit lies outside the allowed value for the ν_μ single-ring sample and the $\nu_e\text{-CC1}\pi^+$ samples, in these cases $wall = 50$ cm and the value of $towall$ which maximises the figure of merit is chosen.

The detector regions towards larger values of $wall$ and $towall$ have higher systematic uncertainties and have lower values for the figure of merit. Backgrounds which have larger systematic uncertainties which are introduced by the increase of the value of the $wall$ and $towall$ variables mean that those regions of the detector also score lower in the figure of merit. The small $towall$ region shows an increase in the background events in the ν_e sample due to difficulty in discriminating between the μ -like and e -like rings and absence of the decay electron ring. The small $wall$ region has the previously discussed entering events and NC events as background, with the entering events mostly in the region $wall < 50$ cm, and a broader NC events. Similar effects are seen in the $\nu_e\text{ CC1}\pi^+$ sample, a larger component of misidentified events is seen but a smaller NC background contribution is seen. The ν_μ sample does not show a sharp peak in the background events and the event distribution in $towall$ gradually decreases so the figure of merit is dominated by the uncertainty in the small $towall$ regions.

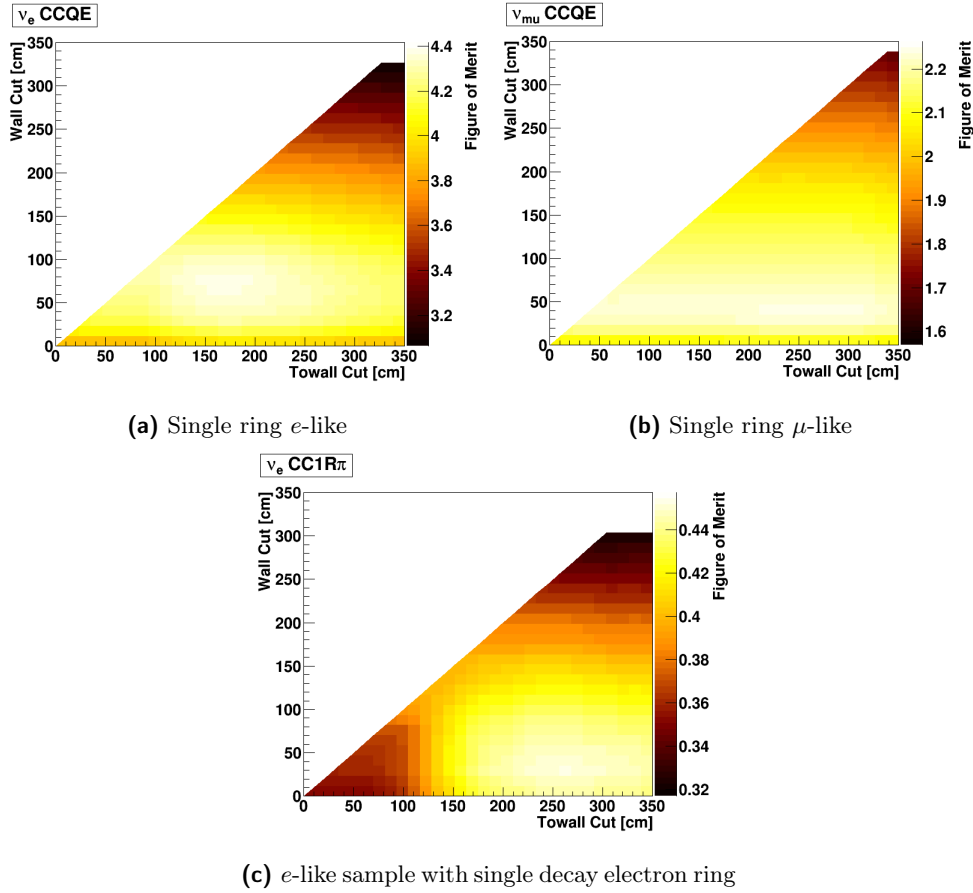


Figure 4.36: Figure of merit described in eq. (4.21) as a function of the *wall* and *towall* variables, for (a) the single ring ν_e , and (b) single ring ν_μ sample, and (c) ν_e CC1 π^+ samples.

Two categories of detector systematic uncertainties are made, an event selection efficiency and a FV cut efficiency. The event selection efficiency is a result of systematic shifts arising from the underlying detector properties and determined using MC toy study and fit. The FV cut efficiencies, which result from the direction and vertex resolution, also vary due to the detector properties but are not characterised with the atmospheric data and are described in [177].

With the topological cuts for each sample that are defined in section 4.4.2 and the FV cuts that have been obtained with the procedure outlined above, an estimate of the detector systematic uncertainties for each sample can be made. A covariance matrix is generated, containing the uncertainties in the different MC categories and in different energy regions which is used as input to generate the final Super-K uncertainties. An estimate by event category of the fractional efficiency of the “core” cuts applied after the “base” cuts, described in table 4.16, is made and the atmospheric flux, cross section parameters and normalisation parameters are marginalised. The remaining dependence on the fractional change in efficiency $\Delta\epsilon$ is on the shape parameters β ,

Category	Base Cuts	Core Cuts
ν_e CC1e	1 e -like ring, $N_{\text{decay}} = 0$, $p_e > 100$ MeV	e -like, not π^0 -like, 1R-like
ν_e CC Other	e -like + other rings, $N_{\text{decay}} \geq 1$, $p_e > 100$ MeV	e -like, not π^0 -like, 1R-like
ν_μ CC μ	1 μ -like ring, $N_{\text{decay}} = 1$, $p_e > 30$ MeV	μ -like, not π -like, 1R-like
ν_μ CC Other	μ -like + other rings, $N_{\text{decay}} \geq 2$, $p_e > 30$ MeV	μ -like, not π -like, 1R-like

Table 4.16: MC categories that are used in the covariance matrix to determine the “core” and “base” cuts

$$\Delta\epsilon = \frac{1}{\epsilon_0} \frac{N_{\text{core}}(\alpha, \beta, \gamma)}{N_{\text{base}}(\alpha, \gamma)}, \quad (4.23)$$

where ϵ_0 is the nominal MC prediction, N_{core} is the number of events that pass the core cuts, and N_{base} is the base number of events. The procedure is almost the same as the previous toy MC fit procedure, and the “core” cuts in table 4.16 are applied. A correlation matrix is generated for each MC category and for each bin in that category which can be seen in fig. 4.37. The constraints reported here cannot be compared directly to the previous analysis that was run in [180] since the shape information is not used which provides a stronger constraint.

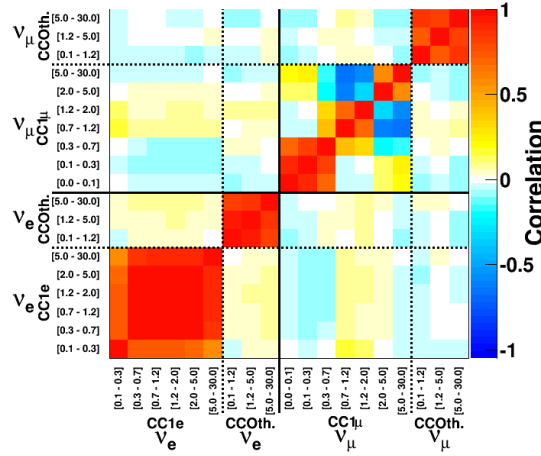


Figure 4.37: Correlation matrix for the efficiencies of the core cuts for each of the energy binned MC categories

Strong correlations in the visible energy bins are observed, the parameters do not include an explicit visible energy dependence and share the same β parameters.

4.5.3 Super-K Energy Scale Uncertainty

Although the rest of Super-K systematics use quantities that are derived from the fitQun algorithm the determination of the energy scale systematic is made with APFit. Studies

are still ongoing to determine the effect of the increased sensitivity to temporal and spatial anisotropy in the fitQun algorithm. Four samples are used to evaluate the energy scale uncertainty in order to cover a large range of momenta, 30 MeV to 10 GeV, these samples are

- Decay electrons from stopping cosmic ray muons
- π^0 from atmospheric neutrino interactions
- Sub-GeV stopping cosmic ray muons
- Multi-GeV stopping cosmic ray muons

the previously described samples give the absolute energy scale error, which is selected by taking the uncertainty of the sample with the largest absolute data-MC difference which is the sub-GeV stopping muon sample, and an uncertainty of 2.4 % is used.

5 Joint Fit δ_{CP} Measurement

5.1 Introduction

In this chapter, the results of a 3-flavour $\nu/\bar{\nu}$ joint analysis, on the combined Run 1-8 dataset, using data taken in both neutrino-enhanced forward horn current (FHC) mode (1.4734×10^{21} POT), and antineutrino-enhanced reverse horn current (RHC) mode (7.558×10^{20} POT) are reported.

This analysis updates the previous analyses based on the additional data gathered at Super-K [95], a new cross-section model [134] and a change in the Super-K reconstruction method [91].

Section 5.4 describes the Super-K samples, section 5.5 describes the systematic errors considered and their effects on the extrapolated single-ring event spectra, whilst the sensitivity of the various fits is considered in section 5.6 before presenting the data fit results for Run 1-8 in section 5.7.

The analysis is performed by the VALOR framework which performs an oscillation analysis based on the inputs which were described in chapter 4, and a strategy using those inputs to produce predictions of the far detector, outlined in fig. 4.1. The far detector predictions consist of energy and energy and lepton angle spectra which are compared using a binned likelihood-ratio. Nuisance parameters are marginalised and confidence intervals for δ_{CP} are produced using the Feldman-Cousins method (see section 5.3.3.1), while confidence intervals of the other oscillation parameters are set using the constant $\Delta\chi^2$ method.

As previously discussed in section 3.3.1 and section 4.4, in this analysis we move from the APFit reconstruction algorithm to the fitQun algorithm [91]. Selection cuts are revisited sections 4.4.1 and 4.4.2 and a significant improvement in statistics is achieved by modifying the fiducial volume cuts to allow for a larger interaction mass section 4.5.2. This analysis includes new cross-section model parameters. A 2p2h shape parameter is added to the 2p2h normalisation parameters already present in the previous analysis. Furthermore, the Random Phase Approximation (RPA) is parameterised by a Bernstein polynomial (BeRPA) [134] and forms a new source of uncertainty. Each of these new parameters will be described in section 5.5.

Finally, a summary is given in section 5.8.

5.2 Analysis Strategy

This analysis builds on our previous analyses in [181, 182] and [183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189] and for antineutrino [190, 191]. In this analysis we fit Super-K data using a hybrid frequentist-Bayesian method [192], in which nuisance parameters are marginalised according to the priors set by external and Near Detector (ND) data. A description of the method can be found in section 4.2 of [191].

The analysis uses a binned likelihood-ratio method [193] where the estimation of the parameters of interest, $\vec{\theta}$, is obtained by comparing the observed and predicted Super-K spectra for 1-ring events. For the two one-ring μ -like samples the binning of data events is in one-dimensional reconstructed neutrino energy space, whilst the three one-ring e -like samples bin data events in two-dimensional reconstructed neutrino energy and lepton angle space.

The 2D binning scheme used for the e -like samples is to improve the separation of the different reaction / flavour components, in particular $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ and $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$, which are fundamental in measuring δ_{CP} . The ν_e intrinsic beam and NC components can also be better separated from signal.

μ -like templates have 84 true energy bins and 73 reconstructed energy bins. e -like templates have 84 true energy bins, 25 reconstructed energy bins and 15 reconstructed lepton angle bins.

For all templates the 84 true energy bins of constant width are the following:

- 6 50-MeV bins from 0-0.3 GeV,
- 28 25-MeV bins from 0.3-1 GeV,
- 40 50-MeV bins from 1-3 GeV,
- 5 100-MeV bin from 3-3.5 GeV,
- 1 bin from 3.5-4 GeV,
- 1 bin from 4-5 GeV,
- 1 bin from 5-7 GeV,
- 1 bin from 7-10 GeV and

- 1 bin from 10-30 GeV

For μ -like samples the 73 reconstructed energy bins are the following:

- 60 50-MeV bins from 0-3 GeV,
- 4 250-MeV bins from 3-4 GeV,
- 4 500-MeV bins from 4-6 GeV,
- 4 1000-MeV bins from 6-10 GeV and
- 1 bin from 10-30 GeV.

For e -like samples the 25 reconstructed energy bins with constant width are the following:

- 25 50-MeV bins from 0-1.25 GeV.

The θ binning used for e -like samples is

- 14 10° bins from $0-140^\circ$,
- 1 bin for the range $140-180^\circ$.

For μ -like samples a single θ bin, that covers the whole range $0^\circ - 180^\circ$, is used. The predicted e -like 2-dimensional spectra were studied in detail in [182] for each flavour component and were compared with the 1-dimensional reconstructed energy spectra.

A study was performed to decide the optimum binning scheme for reconstructing neutrino energy, balancing the needs for accuracy and speed. Details are given in Appendix I of Ref. [186].

5.3 Fitter details

5.3.1 Spectra prediction methodology

In this analysis a comparison of the reconstructed energy (E_r) and reconstructed lepton angle (θ) spectrum of single ring events, including the ν_e CC1 π^+ -like sample, observed at Super-K with the predicted spectrum is used to build the test statistic to quote

confidence intervals for neutrino oscillation parameters. For μ -like samples the templates are built as a function of the reconstructed neutrino energy, as in previous analyses, and a single θ bin is used. The predicted number $N_{SK;r,\theta}$ of single ring and ν_e CC1 π^+ events in the r -th and θ -th bin is computed for each selected sample as follows:

$$N_{SK;r,\theta} = \sum_m \sum_t \sum_{r'} P_{m;t} \cdot T_{r;r';f_{E;r}^{SK}} \cdot S_{m;t;r',\theta;\vec{f}} \cdot N_{SK;m;r',\theta;t}^{MC} \quad (5.1)$$

In eq. (5.1), $N_{SK;m;r',\theta;t}^{MC}$ is the input Super-K Monte Carlo (MC) template containing the number of events in the single ring MC sample with true reaction mode m in the true energy bin t , the reconstructed energy bin r' and reconstructed lepton angle bin θ . $S_{m;t;r',\theta;\vec{f}}$ is an overall, multiplicative, systematic error factor depending on a vector of nuisance (systematic) parameters \vec{f} , which is function of the reaction mode m , the true energy bin t , the reconstructed energy bin r' , and the reconstructed lepton angle bin θ . $T_{r;r';f_{E;r}^{SK}}$ is a transfer function describing the migration of events between the reconstructed energy bins r and r' due to uncertainty in the Super-K reconstructed energy scale, expressed here in terms of the nuisance parameter $f_{E;r}^{SK}$. Finally, $P_{m;t}$ is the 3-flavour oscillation probability applied to the true energy bin t of the Super-K MC template which corresponds to mode m ; application of the term $P_{m;t}$ is discussed in section 5.3.3.

5.3.2 Construction of the nominal Super-K Monte Carlo templates

The nominal Super-K single ring and ν_e CC1 π^+ MC analysis templates $N_{SK;m;r',\theta;t}^{MC}$ are constructed by applying the single e -like ring selection cuts, the ν_e CC1 π^+ selection cuts, or the single μ -like ring selection cuts to the official Super-K MC samples [95]. The calculation of the normalisation of each MC sample is described in section 5.3.2.1. The list of MC templates used in this analysis is shown in section 5.3.2.2.

5.3.2.1 Normalisation of Monte Carlo samples

The normalisation (integrated exposure in terms of POT) of each event sample is calculated from the number of events with a MC truth interaction vertex within the 22.5 kt fiducial volume.

$$N = \int dS dI dE \cdot \frac{d^3\Phi_{SK}}{dS dI dE_\nu} \cdot \sigma_{H_2O} \cdot \frac{N_A}{A} \cdot \rho \cdot L \quad (5.2)$$

where $d^3\Phi_{SK}/dS dI dE$ is the number of flux particles for the given neutrino species per neutrino energy bin dE_ν , per unit area dS and per POT, σ_{H_2O} is the total interaction cross section on water for the given neutrino species, I is the beam exposure in terms of POT, N_A is Avogadro's number, A is the mass number for water, ρ is the water density and L is the neutrino path length in the water volume.

The Super-K MC samples are normalised to the Run 1-8 POT. Assuming that all the MC files are used, each sample is first normalised to 10^{21} POT by weighting it with the ratio of the number of events per 22.5 kt per 10^{21} POT to the number of generated events in the true fiducial volume in all the available MC. Then each sample is normalised to 1.4734×10^{21} POT for neutrino and 7.558×10^{20} for antineutrino mode, by weighting the result respectively by 1.4734 and 0.7558 (the Run 1-8 POT in units of 10^{21} POT).

5.3.2.2 List of Monte Carlo templates

For each Super-K MC sample, a number of different MC templates is constructed corresponding to different true reaction modes. The template number depends on the type of oscillation analysis and the specific systematic parameters considered in the analysis. 50 are used for the current analysis, these are the same templates as in our 2016 analysis [181]. The NC templates are built from each true component which exists in the Super-K MC where the flavour of the interacting neutrino is known. In particular

- $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE,
- $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC1 π ,
- $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC coherent,
- $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC 2p-2h,
- $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC other,
- $\bar{\nu}_\mu(\text{and} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e, \bar{\nu}_\tau)$ NC1 π^0 ,
- $\bar{\nu}_\mu(\text{and} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e, \bar{\nu}_\tau)$ NC1 π^\pm ,
- $\bar{\nu}_\mu(\text{and} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e, \bar{\nu}_\tau)$ NC coherent,
- $\bar{\nu}_\mu(\text{and} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e, \bar{\nu}_\tau)$ NC other,
- $\bar{\nu}_\mu(\text{and} \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e, \bar{\nu}_\tau)$ NC 1 γ ,
- ν_μ CCQE,
- ν_μ CC1 π ,
- ν_μ CC coherent,

- ν_μ CC 2p-2h,
- ν_μ CC other,
- ν_μ (and $\rightarrow \nu_e, \nu_\tau$) NC1 π^0 ,
- ν_μ (and $\rightarrow \nu_e, \nu_\tau$) NC1 π^\pm ,
- ν_μ (and $\rightarrow \nu_e, \nu_\tau$) NC coherent,
- ν_μ (and $\rightarrow \nu_e, \nu_\tau$) NC other,
- ν_μ (and $\rightarrow \nu_e, \nu_\tau$) NC 1 γ ,
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ CCQE,
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ CC1 π ,
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ CC coherent,
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ CC 2p-2h,
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ CC other,
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ (and $\rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu, \bar{\nu}_\tau$) NC1 π^0 ,
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ (and $\rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu, \bar{\nu}_\tau$) NC1 π^\pm ,
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ (and $\rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu, \bar{\nu}_\tau$) NC coherent,
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ (and $\rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu, \bar{\nu}_\tau$) NC other,
- $\bar{\nu}_e$ (and $\rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu, \bar{\nu}_\tau$) NC 1 γ ,
- ν_e CCQE,
- ν_e CC1 π ,
- ν_e CC coherent,
- ν_e CC 2p-2h,

- ν_e CC other,
- ν_e (and $\rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$) NC1 π^0 ,
- ν_e (and $\rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$) NC1 π^\pm ,
- ν_e (and $\rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$) NC coherent,
- ν_e (and $\rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$) NC other,
- ν_e (and $\rightarrow \nu_\mu, \nu_\tau$) NC 1 γ ,
- oscillated $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ CCQE,
- oscillated $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ CC1 π ,
- oscillated $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ CC coherent,
- oscillated $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ CC 2p-2h,
- oscillated $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ CC other,
- oscillated $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ CCQE,
- oscillated $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ CC1 π ,
- oscillated $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ CC coherent,
- oscillated $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ CC 2p-2h,
- oscillated $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ CC other.

5.3.3 Applying neutrino oscillations

The MC templates are constructed from the unoscillated MC samples and must be weighted with the appropriate oscillation probability. Oscillations are applied as a function of true energy to the MC templates for all CC interactions.

The MC templates calculated from the $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ MC sample are weighted with $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu)$, with this survival probability being calculated using the oscillation parameters, namely $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$, $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$, $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$, $|\Delta m_{32}^2|$ (normal hierarchy) or $|\Delta m_{31}^2|$ (inverted hierarchy),

Δm_{21}^2 and δ_{CP} . The $\bar{\nu}_e$ templates are weighted with $P(\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$, while the oscillated $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ templates are weighted with $P(\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e)$ (the sample was generated assuming 100% of $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ transform to $\bar{\nu}_e$). All these oscillation probabilities are computed in a 3-flavour framework including matter effects in constant-density matter (assuming an Earth crust density of 2.6 g/cm^3). Custom oscillation probability calculation code was developed within the *VALOR* analysis framework. Details and estimates of the numerical accuracy of this code are first presented in [185], and is also shown in Appendix A of [186]. Comparisons between the *VALOR* oscillation probability calculation code and Prob3++ [174], which is typically used by the alternative T2K oscillation analyses, are shown in Appendix B of [186].

In the standard 3-flavour oscillation framework, oscillations of $\bar{\nu}_e$ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ can yield $\bar{\nu}_\tau$. In this analysis, we neglect contributions from ν_τ -CC and $\bar{\nu}_\tau$ -CC as their energy threshold is around 3.5 GeV and their effect is negligible¹. Accordingly, this analysis uses no ν_τ -CC and $\bar{\nu}_\tau$ -CC MC templates.

It should be emphasized here that the ν_μ NC MC templates for a mode m contain the NC MC templates for the mixture of $\nu_e + \nu_\mu + \nu_\tau$ resulting from 3-flavour ν_μ oscillations for that mode m . The same applies to the $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ NC MC templates. These NC MC templates are unchanged under standard 3-flavour oscillations.

Also it should be noted that there are no explicit NC MC templates made from the oscillated $\bar{\nu}_e$ and ν_e samples. If they were used, the oscillated $\bar{\nu}_e$ (i.e. $\bar{\nu}_e$ coming from oscillations of $\bar{\nu}_\mu$) would be double counted since they are already included in the $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ NC MC templates. The same applies to oscillated ν_e .

¹A back-of-the-envelope calculation can be found in the replies to comments and revision history document of [186] that gives $\ll 1\%$ ν_τ contamination in the 1-ring μ -like Super-K sample. A Super-K MC study is required to determine whether the Super-K efficiency assumptions made there are valid.

This analysis uses flux tuning based on NA61/SHINE 2009 data [194][122]. It also uses a model-based extrapolation from ND280 to Super-K, which is implemented via a fit of flux model and cross-section model parameters to ND280 measurements of the muon momentum-angle distributions of $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ and ν_μ charged current interaction candidates for different event topologies with the neutrino interaction vertex either in FGD1 or FGD2 (BANFF fit) [168], which was described in section 4.3.

The log-likelihood function used in the analysis is

$$-2 \ln \lambda(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{a}) = 2 \cdot \sum_{i=0}^{N-1} \left(n_i^{obs} \cdot \ln \left(n_i^{obs} / n_i^{exp} \right) + (n_i^{exp} - n_i^{obs}) \right) \quad (5.3)$$

where n_i^{obs} is the observed number of events in the i^{th} bin and $n_i^{exp} = n_i^{exp}(\vec{\theta}; \mathbf{a})$ is the corresponding expected number of events, N is the number of reconstructed energy and lepton angle bins and \mathbf{a} is a vector of systematic (or nuisance) parameters.

The total likelihood is then given by the sum of $-2 \ln \lambda(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{a})$ from all of the Super-K samples

$$-2 \ln \lambda(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{a}) = \sum_{s=1}^{N_{samples}} -2 \ln \lambda_s(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{a}) \quad (5.4)$$

The procedure for marginalising the nuisance parameters to obtain only the parameters of interest in a marginal likelihood $\lambda_{\text{marg}}(\vec{\theta})$ is

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{\text{marg}}(\vec{\theta}) &= \int_A \lambda(\vec{\theta}, \mathbf{a}) \pi(\mathbf{a}) d\mathbf{a} \\ &\approx \frac{1}{n} \sum_i^n \lambda(\vec{\theta}, \vec{a}_i) \end{aligned} \quad (5.5)$$

where n is the number of toy MC experiments that are used, and $\pi(\mathbf{a})$ is the prior distribution for the nuisance parameters, including correlations between parameters. \vec{a}_i is the set of nuisance parameters generated in the toy MC throw a large number of toys are generated in order to sample the nuisance parameter space A . As the number of events in each bin of the likelihood tends from a Poisson to Gaussian distribution we have

$$\chi_{\text{marg}}^2(\vec{\theta}) = \lambda_{\text{marg}}(\vec{\theta}) \quad (5.6)$$

The postfit covariance matrices which result from the BANFF fit and Super-K fits are used as prior uncertainties. The parameters are thrown using the Cholesky method [195], which allows throws according the parameters' multivariate distribution and existing correlations. Where systematic parameters have physical boundaries, any toy experiment where such a parameter is generated beyond its physical limits is rejected. Furthermore, values of systematic parameters that give a negative predicted number of events in any

reconstructed energy bin in any interaction mode are not allowed. If a systematic throw gives a negative number of events, that toy experiment is rejected. All rejected toys are regenerated.

A single set of oscillation parameters in the 3-flavour framework is used to describe both neutrino and antineutrino data. Nuisance oscillation parameters are marginalised in the fit while the parameters of interest are minimized with respect to the likelihood distribution. Flat priors are used for $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$, Δm_{32}^2 and δ_{CP} in all fits, whereas $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ uses a flat prior when not applying constraints from reactor experiments and a gaussian prior when using the measurement found in reactor experiments. $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ and Δm_{21}^2 use gaussian priors in all fits due to the limited sensitivity of T2K to the solar parameters. Fits are performed for each mass hierarchy and both with and without the constraint for the value of $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ determined from reactor experiments, “the reactor constraint” applied.

Oscillation probabilities include constant-density matter effects, with details of our oscillation probability calculations, estimates of their numerical accuracy and comparisons with calculations used by the alternative T2K oscillation analyses are given in Appendices A and B of Ref. [186].

5.3.3.1 Feldman-Cousins

In the gaussian approximation the constant $\Delta\chi^2$ method can be used to build confidence intervals. However, the oscillation probability is not linear in oscillation parameters and so in some cases the gaussian approximation is not reliable and the Feldman-Cousins method [196] must be used. In this method a different critical value for each point of the $\vec{\theta}$ grid, $\Delta\chi^2(\vec{\theta})_{crit}$, is calculated. Since the most important result of this analysis is the search for CP violation, this method is performed only for the simultaneous fit of δ_{CP} and mass hierarchy. In particular, critical values are calculated for 9 evenly spaced true values of δ_{CP} in the range $[-\pi, +\pi]$ for both normal and inverted mass hierarchy, and linearly interpolated between these points.

In the previous analysis the Feldman-Cousins implementation used the disappearance likelihood surface from the best-fit of the data to generate fake data sets during the procedure. However, this approach causes the critical values to become smaller in the vicinity of the best-fit for δ_{CP} because the generated fake data sets are closer to the real data. The new method [197] instead uses the data best-fit for disappearance parameters, along with the PDG 2016 [198] best-fit values for the remaining oscillation parameters (table 5.1), to perform additional Asimov fits in normal and inverted hierarchy. It is then the likelihood surfaces from these fits that are used to generate the fake data sets during the procedure. The procedure consists of the following steps:

The Asimov data sets are in this case the predicted reconstructed energy spectra with or without the lepton angle dependence. In these spectra all parameters are set to their nominal values, two sets of oscillation parameter central values are used table 5.1, and no statistical fluctuations are applied with scaling to the required POT.

1. At least 1×10^4 fake data sets are produced assuming the oscillation hypothesis of the grid point $\vec{\theta}$ and taking into account both the statistical and systematic uncertainties (i.e. nuisance parameters, including non-fit oscillation parameters, are marginalised);
2. For each fake data set:
 - a) $\chi^2(\vec{\theta}_{fix})$ is obtained by computing $\chi^2(\vec{\theta})$ with respect to the marginalisation toys produced for the data fit, with the oscillation parameters $\vec{\theta}$ fixed to the values corresponding to the grid point.
 - b) $\chi^2(\vec{\theta}_{bf})$ is obtained by minimizing $\chi^2(\vec{\theta})$ with respect to the marginalisation toys produced for the data fit, leaving the oscillation parameters $\vec{\theta}$ free.
 - c) The test statistic is calculated as

$$\Delta\chi^2 = \chi^2(\vec{\theta}_{fix}) - \chi^2(\vec{\theta}_{bf}) \quad (5.7)$$

3. This results in a distribution of $\Delta\chi^2(\vec{\theta})$, $f(\Delta\chi^2)$.
4. Several critical values for $X\%$ CL (e.g. 68%, 90%...), $\Delta\chi^2(\vec{\theta})_{crit}$, can be defined as:

$$\Delta\chi^2_{crit} : \int_0^{\Delta\chi^2_{crit}} f(\Delta\chi^2) d(\Delta\chi^2) = X\% \quad (5.8)$$

where $f(\Delta\chi^2)$ is the p.d.f. of $\Delta\chi^2$ and $d(\Delta\chi^2)$ is the differential of the integral.

5. This procedure is repeated to produce critical values for all the points of the $\vec{\theta}$ grid.

Once a critical value, $\Delta\chi^2(\vec{\theta})_{crit}$, is computed for each oscillation hypothesis in the $\vec{\theta}$ grid, the confidence intervals are set by the condition

$$\Delta\chi^2(\vec{\theta}) > \Delta\chi^2_{crit} \quad (5.9)$$

with those values of $\Delta\chi^2(\vec{\theta})$ being excluded at the relevant confidence interval.

5.4 Super-K samples used in this analysis

This analysis is comprised of five samples based on the fitQun selection algorithm, which has improved reconstruction capabilities and can therefore reduce the background components of the selected samples. The five samples are:

- neutrino mode single μ -like ring sample
- antineutrino mode single μ -like ring sample
- neutrino mode single e -like ring sample
- antineutrino mode single e -like ring sample
- neutrino mode single e -like ring sample with one decay electron (referred to as ν_e CC1 π^+)

The Super-K MC templates contain events from the ν_μ , $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, ν_e , $\bar{\nu}_e$, oscillated ν_e and oscillated $\bar{\nu}_e$ samples passing the Super-K selection cuts. Details of the selection cuts can be found in [95].

5.4.1 Predicted event rates

Predicted event rates for this analysis are determined for the case of two different sets of oscillation parameters based on previous best fit results from T2K and NOvA. These parameter sets are referred to as Asimov A and B, with their definitions and associated event rates given in the following sections.

5.4.1.1 Definition of Asimov A and B

Table 5.1 shows the definitions used for the Asimov data sets. Asimov A represents parameter values close to the T2K best fit for Run 1-7, whilst Asimov B modifies these parameters such that CP is conserved and changes the $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ octant.

Parameter(s)	Asimov A	Asimov B
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	0.528	0.450
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ reactors	0.0219	0.0219
$\sin^2 \theta_{12}$	0.304	0.304
$ \Delta m_{32}^2 $ (NH) / $ \Delta m_{31}^2 $ (IH)	$2.509 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2/\text{c}^4$	$2.509 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2/\text{c}^4$
Δm_{21}^2	$7.53 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2/\text{c}^4$	$7.53 \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2/\text{c}^4$
δ_{CP}	-1.601	0
Mass Hierarchy	Normal	Normal

Table 5.1: Values of oscillation parameters used to compute the event rates, systematic effects and sensitivity studies. Each set of oscillation parameters correspond to a different Asimov data set, which is the MC expected distribution in a certain oscillation hypothesis. In the Asimov data set A the nominal values of $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$, $\sin^2 2\theta_{12}$ and Δm_{21}^2 are from [199], while all the other oscillation parameter values corresponds to the most probable values obtained by the Bayesian analysis on the T2K run 1-4 neutrino mode data [200]. The values for Asimov data set B changes the octant of $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ and conserves δ_{CP} . The mass hierarchy is not marginalised but fixed to either NH or IH.

5.4.1.2 Event rates

Table 5.2 shows the expected event rates for each selected sample at Super-K for the Asimov A data set, but with δ_{CP} varied at $-\pi/2$, 0, $\pi/2$ and π .

	$\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$	$\delta_{CP} = 0$	$\delta_{CP} = \pi/2$	$\delta_{CP} = \pi$
FHC e -like sample	73.47354	61.43388	49.90582	61.94533
FHC μ -like sample	268.40351	268.05327	268.37281	268.81441
FHC ν_e CC1 π^+ -like sample	6.92243	6.00922	4.86656	5.77983
RHC e -like sample	7.91206	9.02311	10.02989	8.91886
RHC μ -like sample	64.27306	64.12292	64.27392	64.43654

Table 5.2: Predicted total number of events in each sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. The Asimov data set A in 5.1 is used, but with varying δ_{CP} .

Tables 5.3 to 5.7 present the expected event rates for each sample selected Super-K corresponding to the Asimov A data set. Event rates in other oscillation scenarios can be found in appendix A. In each case the normal hierarchy is assumed and all rates are generated for an integrated exposure corresponding to Run 1-8.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	175.62883	0.00413	11.03473	0.00019	0.02245	0.00015	186.69049
CC1pi	27.69898	0.00199	2.61604	0.00009	0.02406	0.00007	30.34123
CCcoherent	0.28837	0.00000	0.09218	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.38055
2p2h	35.57284	0.00151	1.41213	0.00008	0.02551	0.00004	37.01211
CCother	5.46647	0.00086	0.40615	0.00008	0.00011	0.00001	5.87368
NC1pi0	0.61495	0.01841	0.02120	0.00143	N/A	N/A	0.65599
NC1piPM	4.90783	0.09799	0.17531	0.00975	N/A	N/A	5.19089
NCcoherent	0.00000	0.00000	0.00043	0.00003	N/A	N/A	0.00047
NCoher	2.05619	0.07378	0.13055	0.00912	N/A	N/A	2.26963
Total	252.23446	0.19867	15.88872	0.02078	0.07214	0.00027	268.41504

Table 5.3: Predicted number of events in the neutrino mode μ -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. The Asimov data set A in 5.1 is used.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	15.29349	0.00085	29.88622	0.00093	0.00094	0.00137	45.18379
CC1pi	3.95485	0.00033	4.53265	0.00025	0.00060	0.00061	8.48929
CCcoherent	0.04705	0.00000	0.17567	0.00005	0.00000	0.00006	0.22283
2p2h	4.47453	0.00026	2.84291	0.00027	0.00044	0.00021	7.31861
CCother	0.94199	0.00012	0.60584	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	1.54795
NC1pi0	0.06000	0.00222	0.06147	0.00169	N/A	N/A	0.12538
NC1piPM	0.35950	0.01527	0.46009	0.01235	N/A	N/A	0.84721
NCcoherent	0.00000	0.00000	0.00201	0.00000	N/A	N/A	0.00201
NCoher	0.31580	0.01640	0.20064	0.00789	N/A	N/A	0.54073
Total	25.44720	0.03544	38.76749	0.02342	0.00198	0.00226	64.27780

Table 5.4: Predicted number of events in the antineutrino mode μ -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 7.558×10^{20} POT. The Asimov data set A in 5.1 is used.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	0.16115	6.30178	0.00634	0.25566	46.25561	0.27811	53.25866
CC1pi	0.04703	0.93168	0.00280	0.06750	4.49505	0.04745	5.59150
CCcoherent	0.00011	0.00830	0.00018	0.00397	0.03445	0.00327	0.05028
2p2h	0.03033	1.59694	0.00117	0.04275	8.68112	0.03893	10.39125
CCother	0.01329	0.12803	0.00034	0.00942	0.08850	0.00326	0.24284
NC1pi0	1.70203	0.03706	0.06012	0.00356	N/A	N/A	1.80278
NC1piPM	0.16854	0.00472	0.01020	0.00057	N/A	N/A	0.18404
NCcoherent	0.52817	0.00715	0.04794	0.00294	N/A	N/A	0.58619
NCoher	0.31767	0.01695	0.02120	0.00128	N/A	N/A	0.35711
NC1gamma	0.94222	0.01687	0.04983	0.00233	N/A	N/A	1.01125
Total	3.91054	9.04948	0.20014	0.38998	59.55473	0.37103	73.47589

Table 5.5: Predicted number of events in the neutrino mode e -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. The Asimov data set A in 5.1 is used.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	0.01288	0.50911	0.02388	0.84721	1.02586	2.85198	5.27090
CC1pi	0.00763	0.10111	0.00733	0.14431	0.14337	0.33485	0.73858
CCcoherent	0.00002	0.00099	0.00042	0.01066	0.00114	0.03130	0.04455
2p2h	0.00295	0.14379	0.00219	0.11301	0.23285	0.33042	0.82521
CCother	0.00390	0.02116	0.00120	0.01154	0.01042	0.00668	0.05491
NC1pi0	0.13849	0.00541	0.17659	0.00468	N/A	N/A	0.32516
NC1piPM	0.02475	0.00127	0.02001	0.00080	N/A	N/A	0.04683
NCcoherent	0.04776	0.00221	0.20260	0.00317	N/A	N/A	0.25574
NCoher	0.05664	0.00221	0.02672	0.00097	N/A	N/A	0.08654
NC1gamma	0.07943	0.00439	0.17490	0.00383	N/A	N/A	0.26255
Total	0.37445	0.79164	0.63583	1.14019	1.41363	3.55523	7.91097

Table 5.6: Predicted number of events in the antineutrino mode e -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. The Asimov data set A in 5.1 is used.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	0.02857	0.02442	0.00117	0.00174	0.21123	0.00265	0.26979
CC1pi	0.07582	0.76065	0.00257	0.00383	4.85325	0.00227	5.69839
CCcoherent	0.00027	0.01765	0.00008	0.00007	0.11121	0.00011	0.12939
2p2h	0.01012	0.02195	0.00049	0.00095	0.16017	0.00105	0.19473
CCother	0.03770	0.11225	0.00116	0.00279	0.12085	0.00150	0.27625
NC1pi0	0.02049	0.00076	0.00083	0.00008	N/A	N/A	0.02216
NC1piPM	0.06474	0.00165	0.00382	0.00033	N/A	N/A	0.07053
NCother	0.20584	0.00830	0.01304	0.00088	N/A	N/A	0.22807
NC1gamma	0.02844	0.00000	0.00067	0.00007	N/A	N/A	0.02918
Total	0.47199	0.94764	0.02382	0.01075	5.45671	0.00758	6.91850

Table 5.7: Predicted number of events in the neutrino mode ν_e CC1 π^+ -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. The Asimov data set A in 5.1 is used.

5.4.1.3 Predicted and observed spectra

In this section, we present the expected spectra in Super-K for Asimov A and unoscillated scenarios, assuming normal hierarchy. All plots are generated for an integrated exposure corresponding to Run 1-8.

Predicted single ring Super-K spectra are shown in figs. 5.1 and 5.2. By comparing neutrino and antineutrino mode e -like plots it is clear that θ vs E_{reco} distributions are differently populated by $\nu_\mu \rightarrow \nu_e$ and $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e$ events.

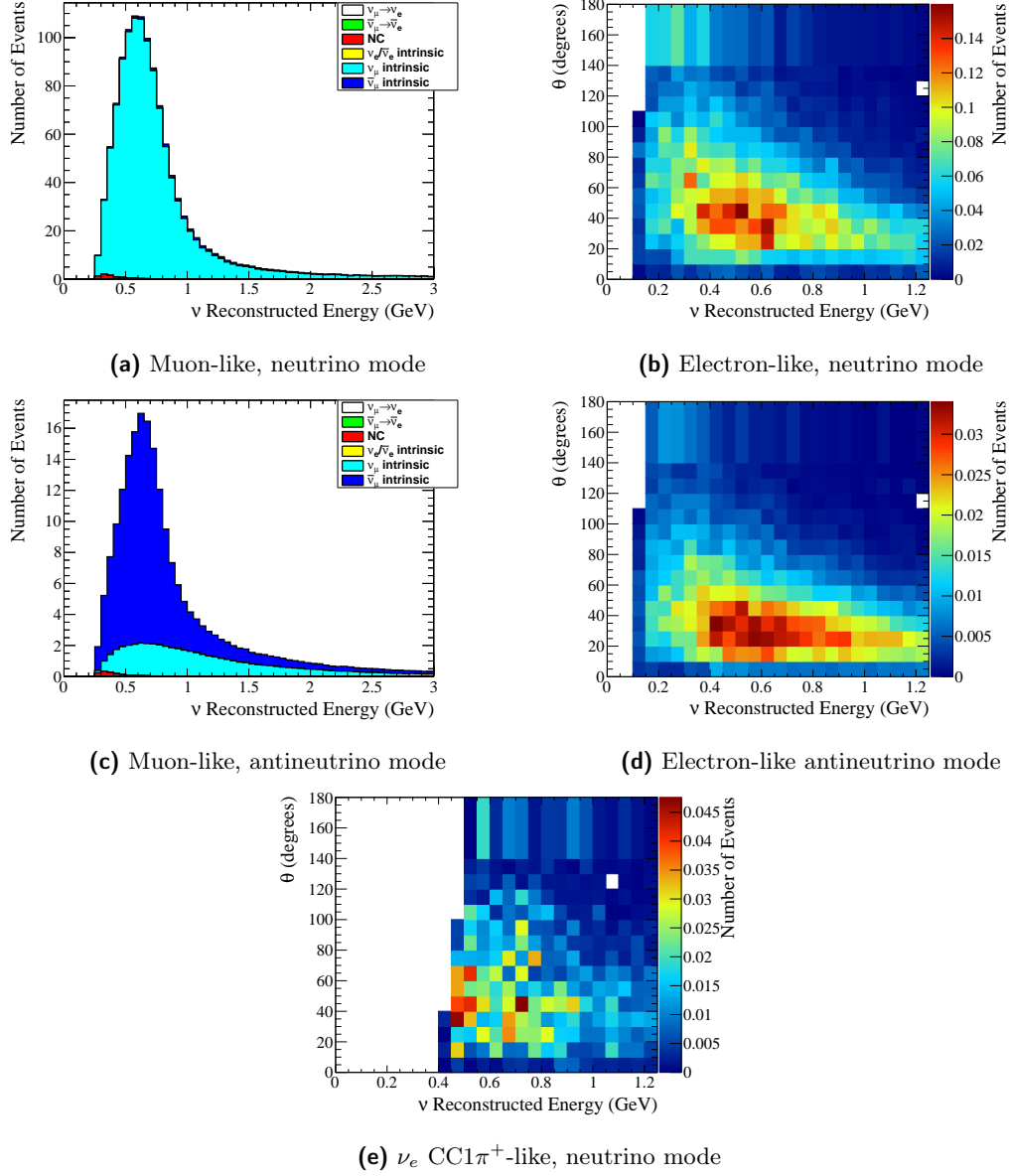


Figure 5.1: Predicted unoscillated spectra. μ -like distributions are a function of the reconstructed neutrino energy, while the e -like, including ν_e CC1 π^+ , distributions are functions of both the reconstructed neutrino energy and the reconstructed angle between the outgoing lepton and the neutrino direction. The distributions correspond to the statistics collected in the full Run 1-8 data set. The spectra are generated with the systematic parameters described in section 5.5.

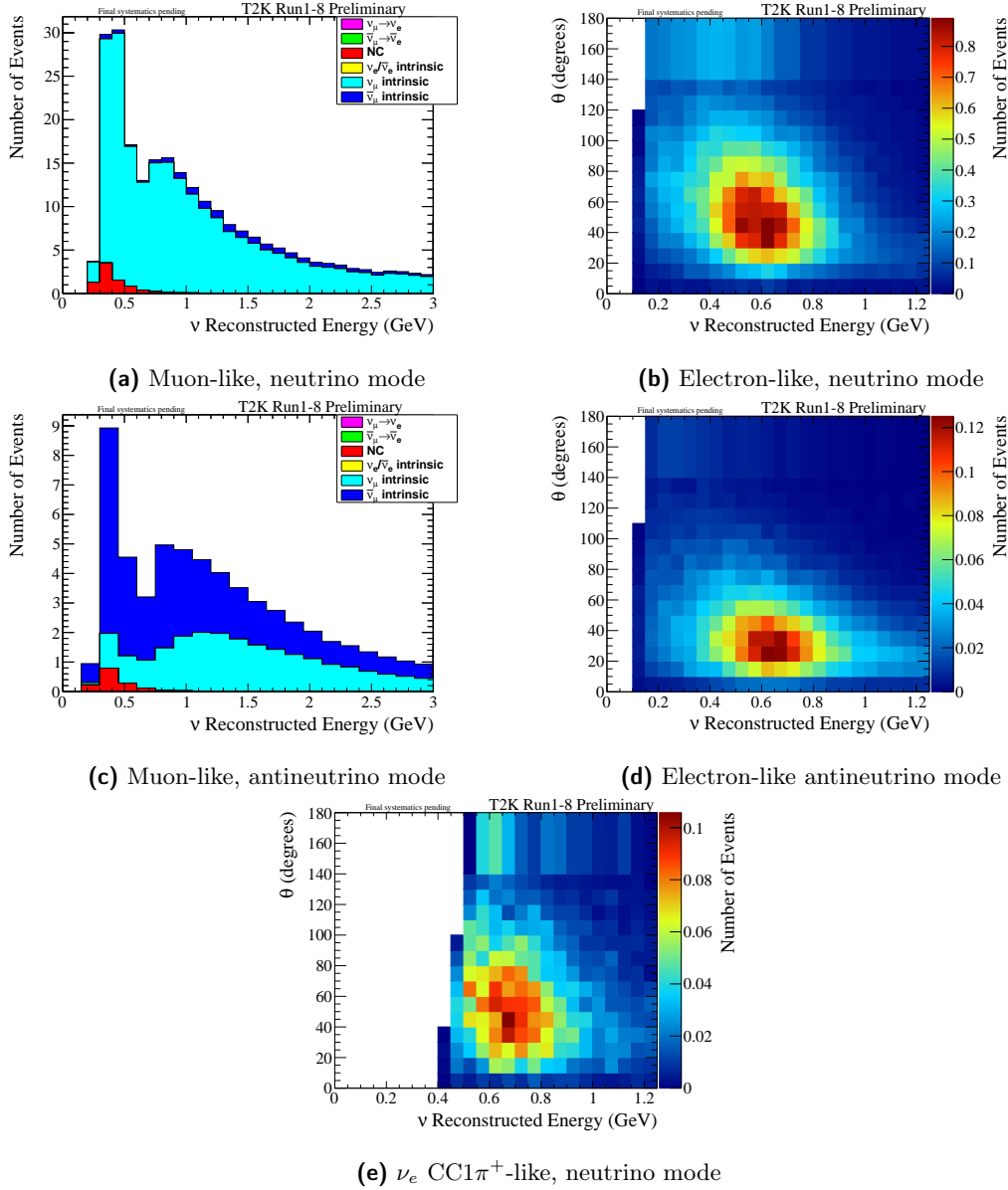


Figure 5.2: Predicted oscillated Asimov A spectra. μ -like distributions are a function of the reconstructed neutrino energy, while the e -like, including ν_e CC1 π^+ , distributions are functions of both the reconstructed neutrino energy and the reconstructed angle between the outgoing lepton and the neutrino direction. The distributions correspond to the statistics collected in the full Run 1-8 data set. The spectra are generated with the systematic parameters described in section 5.5 and the oscillation parameters corresponding to the Asimov data set A shown in table 5.1.

5.5 Effects of Systematics in the prediction of the μ and e single ring and ν_e CC1 π^+ - like spectra

This analysis considers 110 flux, cross section and Super-K detector systematic parameters plus 6 oscillation parameters, which can be treated as either nuisance parameters or as parameters of interest, depending on the analysis that is performed.

5.5.1 Flux and cross-section parameters (73 parameters)

In this analysis, all the flux and cross-section systematic parameters are included in the ND280 data (BANFF) fit. However, since the ND fit is not sensitive to the electron neutrino cross section and the NC1 γ parameters they remain unconstrained. The parameters fit are 11 ν_μ , 5 $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, 7 ν_e and 2 $\bar{\nu}_e$ neutrino mode (FHC) flux parameters, 5 ν_μ , 11 $\bar{\nu}_\mu$, 2 ν_e and 7 $\bar{\nu}_e$ antineutrino mode (RHC) flux parameters and 23 cross-section parameters. Best-fit values of these parameters and a covariance matrix giving their correlated uncertainties are obtained by the BANFF group from a fit of the $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ and ν_μ ND280 samples as described in Ref [168]. A list of the BANFF parameters, their best-fit values and their prefit and postfit errors can be found in tables 5.8 to 5.10.

The best-fit values are used to reweight the templates as described in Section 5.3, and the postfit errors in the covariance matrix are used as prior uncertainties in this analysis. All the cross section parameters set to 1 correspond to the NEUT nominal value, except “CC other shape” and “2p2h shape O”, for which the NEUT nominal value is 0. For all the normalisation parameters, 1 is the nominal pre-BANFF fit value.

The effects of these correlated uncertainties (see fig. 5.3) are evaluated using the Cholesky method, that allows throws of the systematic parameters according to their multivariate distribution taking into account existing correlations.

Many of the cross-section parameters are the same as those used in the previous analysis [181]. However, the binding energy for ^{16}O is no longer included in this analysis and a number of new parameters have been included, see section 5.5.1.1. Five of these new parameters (2p2h, BeRPA A, B, D and E) are implemented using cubic splines, details for which can be found in [181], while one of the new parameters (BeRPA U) is fixed in the analysis.

5.5.1.1 Neutrino-nucleus interaction uncertainties

Overall normalisation uncertainties for 2p2h interactions were included in previous analyses, but this analysis includes a 2p2h shape uncertainty (using best-fit value and

Index	Parameter	Description	Best fit	1σ pre/postfit fractional error
0	$f_{0;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 0.0 - 0.4 GeV	1.026	0.099 / 0.057
1	$f_{1;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 0.4 - 0.5 GeV	1.050	0.103 / 0.052
2	$f_{2;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 0.5 - 0.6 GeV	1.032	0.096 / 0.045
3	$f_{3;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 0.6 - 0.7 GeV	0.991	0.087 / 0.042
4	$f_{4;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.943	0.113 / 0.054
5	$f_{5;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.963	0.092 / 0.049
6	$f_{6;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	1.030	0.070 / 0.042
7	$f_{7;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 2.5 - 3.5 GeV	1.047	0.074 / 0.044
8	$f_{8;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 3.5 - 5.0 GeV	1.038	0.087 / 0.041
9	$f_{9;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 5.0 - 7.0 GeV	1.003	0.098 / 0.040
10	$f_{10;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 7.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.991	0.114 / 0.048
11	$f_{11;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 0.0 - 0.7 GeV	0.989	0.103 / 0.074
12	$f_{12;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.986	0.079 / 0.048
13	$f_{13;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.996	0.084 / 0.057
14	$f_{14;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	1.042	0.086 / 0.062
15	$f_{15;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	1.104	0.086 / 0.065
16	$f_{16;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_e flux normalisation, E = 0.0 - 0.5 GeV	1.030	0.090 / 0.046
17	$f_{17;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_e flux normalisation, E = 0.5 - 0.7 GeV	1.031	0.090 / 0.042
18	$f_{18;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_e flux normalisation, E = 0.7 - 0.8 GeV	1.029	0.086 / 0.041
19	$f_{19;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_e flux normalisation, E = 0.8 - 1.5 GeV	1.017	0.081 / 0.039
20	$f_{20;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_e flux normalisation, E = 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	1.034	0.079 / 0.040
21	$f_{21;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_e flux normalisation, E = 2.5 - 4.0 GeV	1.036	0.084 / 0.041
22	$f_{22;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC ν_e flux normalisation, E = 4.0 - 30.0 GeV	1.050	0.094 / 0.059
23	$f_{23;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux normalisation, E = 0.0 - 2.5 GeV	1.050	0.074 / 0.054
24	$f_{24;t,r}^{banff}$	FHC $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux normalisation, E = 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	1.093	0.128 / 0.114

Table 5.8: Summary of neutrino mode flux systematics included in the VALOR joint fit analysis. A description of how the BANFF fit constrained these systematics can be found in [168].

Index	Parameter	Description	Best fit	1 σ pre/postfit fractional error
25	$f_{0;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 0.0 - 0.7 GeV	0.993	0.094 / 0.066
26	$f_{1;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	1.003	0.079 / 0.049
27	$f_{2;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	1.018	0.077 / 0.045
28	$f_{3;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	1.061	0.081 / 0.049
29	$f_{4;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC ν_μ flux normalisation, E = 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	1.051	0.080 / 0.043
30	$f_{5;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 0.0 - 0.4 GeV	1.012	0.104 / 0.065
31	$f_{6;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 0.4 - 0.5 GeV	1.028	0.102 / 0.052
32	$f_{7;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 0.5 - 0.6 GeV	1.008	0.096 / 0.045
33	$f_{8;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 0.6 - 0.7 GeV	0.988	0.085 / 0.041
34	$f_{9;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.986	0.125 / 0.052
35	$f_{10;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.997	0.105 / 0.047
36	$f_{11;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	1.036	0.080 / 0.042
37	$f_{12;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 2.5 - 3.5 GeV	1.063	0.074 / 0.046
38	$f_{13;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 3.5 - 5.0 GeV	1.069	0.094 / 0.063
39	$f_{14;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 5.0 - 7.0 GeV	1.044	0.093 / 0.056
40	$f_{15;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_\mu$ flux normalisation, E = 7.0 - 30.0 GeV	1.007	0.130 / 0.093
41	$f_{16;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC ν_e flux normalisation, E = 0.0 - 2.5 GeV	1.050	0.069 / 0.047
42	$f_{17;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC ν_e flux normalisation, E = 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	1.048	0.085 / 0.065
43	$f_{18;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux normalisation, E = 0.0 - 0.5 GeV	1.018	0.095 / 0.051
44	$f_{19;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux normalisation, E = 0.5 - 0.7 GeV	1.018	0.091 / 0.043
45	$f_{20;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux normalisation, E = 0.7 - 0.8 GeV	1.016	0.091 / 0.044
46	$f_{21;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux normalisation, E = 0.8 - 1.5 GeV	1.018	0.084 / 0.040
47	$f_{22;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux normalisation, E = 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	1.043	0.080 / 0.051
48	$f_{23;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux normalisation, E = 2.5 - 4.0 GeV	1.046	0.089 / 0.064
49	$f_{24;t,r}^{banff} RHC$	RHC $\bar{\nu}_e$ flux normalisation, E = 4.0 - 30.0 GeV	1.083	0.156 / 0.133

Table 5.9: Summary of antineutrino mode flux systematics included in the VALOR joint fit analysis. A description of how the BANFF fit constrained these systematics can be found in [168].

Index	Parameter	Description	Best fit	1 σ pre/postfit fractional error
50	$f_{Norm2p2h}^{banff}$	Two particle two hole normalisation for ^{16}O	1.426	1.000 / 0.182
51	$f_{C_5^A}^{banff}$	C_5^A nucleon to Δ transition axial form factor	0.977	0.149 / 0.059
52	f_{BgRES}^{banff}	Scale of isospin 1/2 nonresonant background	0.979	0.308 / 0.190
53	$f_{M_{QE}^A}^{banff}$	CCQE axial-mass scaling factor	0.903	0.025 / 0.057
54	$f_{M_{RES}^A}^{banff}$	Resonance-production axial-mass scaling factor	0.822	0.158 / 0.045
55	f_{SCCA}^{banff}	BANFF; Second current class axial	1.000	- / -
56	f_{SCCV}^{banff}	BANFF; Second current class vector	1.000	- / -
57	f_{pf}^{banff}	Fermi momentum for ^{16}O	0.916	0.058 / 0.072
58	$f_{ShapeCCoth}^{banff}$	CC other shape	0.519	0.400 / 0.187
59	$f_{NormCCcoh}^{banff}$	CC coherent for ^{16}O normalisation	0.906	0.300 / 0.275
60	$f_{NormNCcoh}^{banff}$	NC coherent normalisation	0.939	0.300 / 0.297
61	$f_{NormNCother}^{banff}$	NC other normalisation	1.000	- / 0.300
62	$f_{Norm\nu_e\rightarrow\nu\mu}^{banff}$	CC ν_e normalisation	1.000	- / 0.028
63	$f_{NormNC1\gamma}^{banff}$	NC 1γ normalisation	1.000	- / 1.000
64	$f_{Norm\bar{\nu}_e\rightarrow\bar{\nu}\mu}^{banff}$	CC $\bar{\nu}_e$ normalisation	1.000	- / 0.028
65	$f_{Norm2p2hBar}^{banff}$	Antineutrino two particle two hole normalisation for ^{16}O	0.552	1.000 / 0.201
66	$f_{ShapeBeRPA_A}^{banff}$	Bernstein Polynomial coefficient A	0.663	0.118 / 0.056
67	$f_{ShapeBeRPA_B}^{banff}$	Bernstein Polynomial coefficient B	1.647	0.210 / 0.117
68	$f_{ShapeBeRPA_D}^{banff}$	Bernstein Polynomial coefficient D	0.988	0.170 / 0.128
69	$f_{ShapeBeRPA_E}^{banff}$	Bernstein Polynomial coefficient E	0.876	0.352 / 0.355
70	$f_{ShapeBeRPA_U}^{banff}$	Bernstein Polynomial coefficient U	1.200	0.100 / 0.100
71	$f_{Shape2p2h\nu}^{banff}$	Neutrino two particle two hole ^{16}O shape	0.997	3.000 / 0.338
72	$f_{Norm2p2hCtoO}^{banff}$	Two particle two hole ^{12}C to ^{16}O normalisation	0.940	0.200 / 0.161

Table 5.10: Summary of cross section systematics included in the VALOR joint fit analysis. Parameters with no prefit error were unconstrained. A description of how the BANFF fit constrained these systematics can be found in [168].

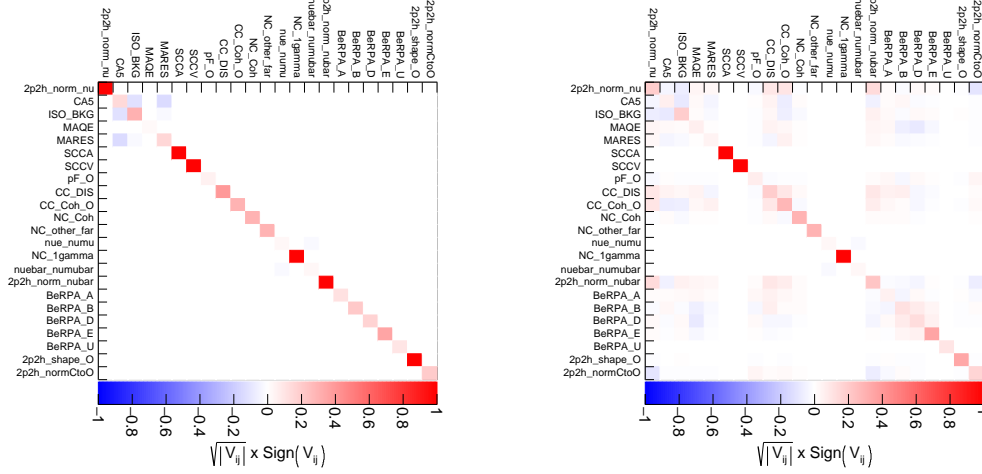


Figure 5.3: The pre-BANFF (left) and post-BANFF (right) cross-section covariance matrix, with the values shown as the sign of the element times the square root of the absolute value of the element.

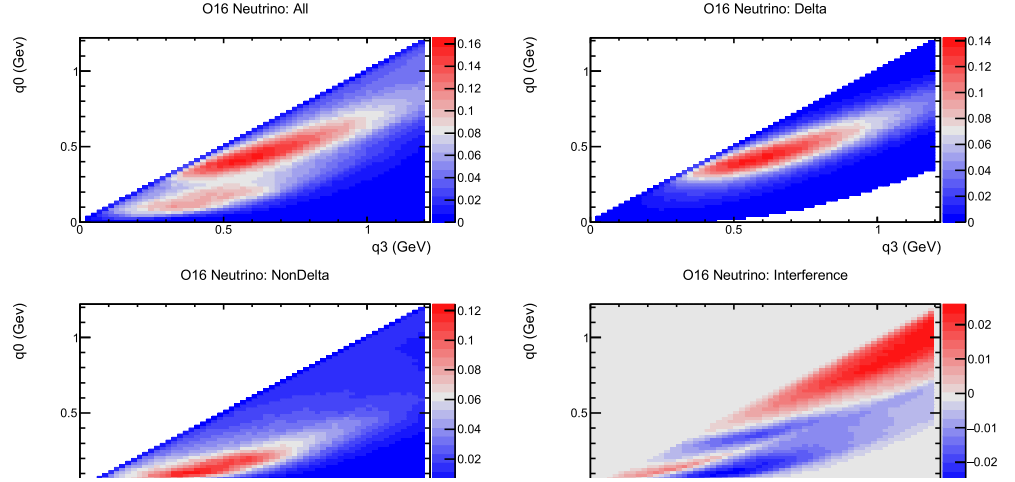


Figure 5.4: Distribution of neutrino events for 2p2h and each 2p2h term in q_0 - q_3 space [201].

errors from the BANFF fit) to describe the uncertainty in the cross-section strength between Delta-like, non-Delta-like and interference terms of the 2p2h model, determined by redistributing the cross-section strength of these terms subject to (approximately) maintaining the total 2p2h event rate (see Section 2 of [201]). In terms of energy transfer (q_0) and three-momentum transfer (q_3) kinematics, the distribution of events in this space for neutrino and antineutrino interactions on oxygen are shown in figs. 5.4 and 5.5 respectively (see Section 2 of [201]).

This analysis also introduces 5 BeRPA parameters (A, B, D, E and U) to describe the collective effects of interactions between neutrinos and nucleons inside nuclei. These effects modify the Q^2 dependence of the neutrino-nucleus cross-section and in BeRPA are described by a cubic polynomial transitioning to an exponential above a Q^2 threshold, as described in [134]. Neither the 2p2h shape parameter nor the BeRPA parameters apply to interactions on free protons.

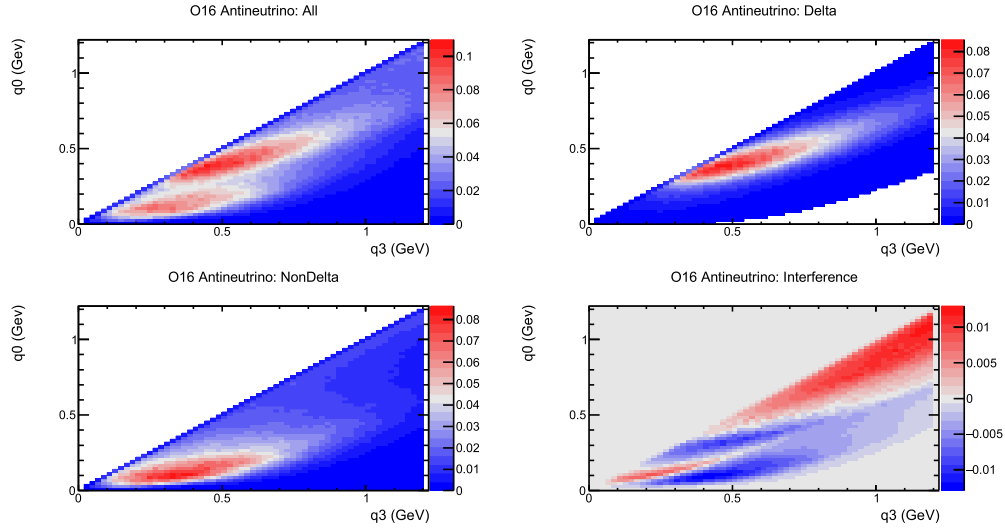


Figure 15: q_0 vs q_3 projection from antineutrinos on oxygen pre-tabulated TH3Ds.

Figure 5.5: Distribution of antineutrino events for 2p2h and each 2p2h term in q_0 - q_3 space [201].

5.5.2 Super-K efficiencies & effects of intranuclear and secondary re-interactions (44 parameters)

The Super-K detector uncertainties include the efficiencies of the fiducial volume and reduction chain, and the OD, ring-counting, PID, momentum and decay-electron cuts. These uncertainties have been evaluated by comparisons between SK-IV atmospheric data and atmospheric neutrino Monte Carlo. Ring counting errors are evaluated using ν_μ CCQE, ν_μ CCnQE, NC, and ν_e CC-enriched control samples from atmospheric neutrinos. The NC PID error is evaluated using a NC-enriched control sample, obtained by not using the PID information during the selection. All the Monte Carlo control samples are fitted simultaneously to the data with a χ^2 function using the selection efficiencies as fit parameters [172, 202] as described in section 4.5.

Intranuclear final-state interactions (FSI) have significant effects in the T2K energy range and result in event topologies, for scattering from nuclear targets, which are drastically different from those created in neutrino scattering from free nucleons. Uncertainties due to FSI were estimated by simultaneously varying NEUT parameters that scale interaction probabilities as described in section 2 of [151]. Uncertainties due to secondary pion interactions (SI) were also evaluated by allowing variations in the interaction probabilities. Details of this are given in [203] in addition to the discussion in section 4.2.1.1. Since the same model is used for FSI and SI, it is possible to evaluate the uncertainties in both FSI and SI simultaneously. Details of this procedure are described in section 8 of [204].

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Index	Parameter	Description	1 σ fractional error
0	$f_{0,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 0; Erec range 0.00 - 0.40 GeV; numu/numubar CCQE (1Rmu)	0.009
1	$f_{1,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 1; Erec range 0.40 - 1.10 GeV; numu/numubar CCQE (1Rmu)	0.007
2	$f_{2,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 2; Erec range 1.10 - 30.00 GeV; numu/numubar CCQE (1Rmu)	0.007
3	$f_{3,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 3; Erec range 0.00 - 30.00 GeV; numu/numubar CCnQE (1Rmu)	0.169
4	$f_{4,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 4; Erec range 0.00 - 30.00 GeV; nue/nuebar/signue CC (1Rmu)	1.005
5	$f_{5,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 5; Erec range 0.00 - 30.00 GeV; all NC (1Rmu)	0.658
6	$f_{6,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 6; Erec range 0.00 - 0.35 GeV; oscillated nue CC (1Re)	0.181
7	$f_{7,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 7; Erec range 0.35 - 0.80 GeV; oscillated nue CC (1Re)	0.036
8	$f_{8,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 8; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; oscillated nue CC (1Re)	0.042
9	$f_{9,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 9; Erec range 0.00 - 0.35 GeV; numu/numubar CC (1Re)	0.300
10	$f_{10,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 10; Erec range 0.35 - 0.80 GeV; numu/numubar CC (1Re)	0.321
11	$f_{11,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 11; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; numu/numubar CC (1Re)	0.393
12	$f_{12,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 12; Erec range 0.00 - 0.35 GeV; nue/nuebar CC (1Re)	0.135
13	$f_{13,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 13; Erec range 0.35 - 0.80 GeV; nue/nuebar CC (1Re)	0.070
14	$f_{14,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 14; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; nue/nuebar CC (1Re)	0.077
15	$f_{15,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 15; Erec range 0.00 - 0.35 GeV; all NC (1Re)	0.194
16	$f_{16,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 16; Erec range 0.35 - 0.80 GeV; all NC (1Re)	0.181
17	$f_{17,t,r}^{SK+FSI}$	SKDet + FSI/SI 17; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; all NC (1Re)	0.472
18	$f_{0,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 0; Erec range 0.00 - 0.40 GeV; numu/numubar CCQE (1Rmu); RHC	0.009
19	$f_{1,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 1; Erec range 0.40 - 1.10 GeV; numu/numubar CCQE (1Rmu); RHC	0.007
20	$f_{2,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 2; Erec range 1.10 - 30.00 GeV; numu/numubar CCQE (1Rmu); RHC	0.007
21	$f_{3,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 3; Erec range 0.00 - 30.00 GeV; numu/numubar CCnQE (1Rmu); RHC	0.130
22	$f_{4,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 4; Erec range 0.00 - 30.00 GeV; nue/nuebar/signue CC (1Rmu); RHC	1.005
23	$f_{5,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 5; Erec range 0.00 - 30.00 GeV; all NC (1Rmu); RHC	0.657
24	$f_{6,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 6; Erec range 0.00 - 0.35 GeV; oscillated nue CC (1Re); RHC	0.108
25	$f_{7,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 7; Erec range 0.35 - 0.80 GeV; oscillated nue CC (1Re); RHC	0.036
26	$f_{8,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 8; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; oscillated nue CC (1Re); RHC	0.057
27	$f_{9,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 9; Erec range 0.00 - 0.35 GeV; numu/numubar CC (1Re); RHC	0.349
28	$f_{10,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 10; Erec range 0.35 - 0.80 GeV; numu/numubar CC (1Re); RHC	0.342
29	$f_{11,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 11; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; numu/numubar CC (1Re); RHC	0.417
30	$f_{12,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 12; Erec range 0.00 - 0.35 GeV; nue/nuebar CC (1Re); RHC	0.085
31	$f_{13,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 13; Erec range 0.35 - 0.80 GeV; nue/nuebar CC (1Re); RHC	0.056
32	$f_{14,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 14; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; nue/nuebar CC (1Re); RHC	0.078
33	$f_{15,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 15; Erec range 0.00 - 0.35 GeV; all NC (1Re); RHC	0.214
34	$f_{16,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 16; Erec range 0.35 - 0.80 GeV; all NC (1Re); RHC	0.191
35	$f_{17,t,r}^{SK+FSI} RHC$	SKDet + FSI/SI 17; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; all NC (1Re); RHC	0.465
36	$f_{0,t,r}^{SK+FSI} MultiRing$	SKDet + FSI/SI 0; Erec range 0.30 - 0.80 GeV; oscillated nue CC (MultiRe); MultiRing	0.249
37	$f_{1,t,r}^{SK+FSI} MultiRing$	SKDet + FSI/SI 1; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; oscillated nue CC (MultiRe); MultiRing	0.215
38	$f_{2,t,r}^{SK+FSI} MultiRing$	SKDet + FSI/SI 2; Erec range 0.30 - 0.80 GeV; numu/numubar CC (MultiRe); MultiRing	0.507
39	$f_{3,t,r}^{SK+FSI} MultiRing$	SKDet + FSI/SI 3; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; numu/numubar CC (MultiRe); MultiRing	0.236
40	$f_{4,t,r}^{SK+FSI} MultiRing$	SKDet + FSI/SI 4; Erec range 0.30 - 0.80 GeV; nue/nuebar CC (MultiRe); MultiRing	0.244
41	$f_{5,t,r}^{SK+FSI} MultiRing$	SKDet + FSI/SI 5; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; nue/nuebar CC (MultiRe); MultiRing	0.235
42	$f_{6,t,r}^{SK+FSI} MultiRing$	SKDet + FSI/SI 6; Erec range 0.30 - 0.80 GeV; all NC (MultiRe); MultiRing	0.983
43	$f_{7,t,r}^{SK+FSI} MultiRing$	SKDet + FSI/SI 7; Erec range 0.80 - 1.25 GeV; all NC (MultiRe); MultiRing	0.524
44	$f_{E;r}^{SK}$	SK energy scale	0.024

Table 5.11: Summary of SK detector + FSI + SI + PN systematics included in the VALOR joint fit analysis.

A list of the Super-K parameters and their errors can be found in table 5.11. We consider the Super-K detector efficiency and FSI+SI+PN systematics together, adding their covariance matrices linearly and evaluating the effects of these uncertainties using the Cholesky method. Details of all parameters can be found in [181].

5.5.3 Super-K energy scale (1 parameter)

The systematic parameter $f_{E;r}^{SK}$ is included to estimate the effects of uncertainty in the Super-K reconstructed energy scale. This uncertainty is estimated to be 2.4% [205]; its effects are calculated by scaling the bin edges of the MC templates and, assuming uniform distribution of events within the bins, calculating the number of events gained from/lost to other bins (including bins that are not immediately adjacent). This systematic is applied after all other systematics have been applied, because it affects reconstructed rather than true energy, does not commute with spline-based systematics, which are

Parameter(s)	Prior	Range
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	uniform	[0.3; 0.7]
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ ($\sin^2 \theta_{13}$) reactors	gaussian	0.0857 ± 0.0046
$\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ ($\sin^2 \theta_{13}$) T2K only	uniform	[0; 0.4]
$\sin^2 2\theta_{12}$	gaussian	0.846 ± 0.021
$ \Delta m_{32}^2 $ (NH) / $ \Delta m_{13}^2 $ (IH)	uniform	$[2.3; 2.7] \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2/\text{c}^4$
Δm_{21}^2	gaussian	$(7.53 \pm 0.18) \times 10^{-5} \text{ eV}^2/\text{c}^4$
δ_{CP}	uniform	$[-\pi; +\pi]$
Mass Hierarchy	fixed	NH or IH

Table 5.12: Treatment of the oscillation parameters in the $\nu/\bar{\nu}$ joint analysis. All the gaussian priors are from [199]. The parameter $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ can be constrained with the measurement of reactor experiments using the gaussian prior, otherwise a uniform prior is used and the measurement relies only on the T2K data. The nominal values of $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$, $\sin^2 2\theta_{12}$ and Δm_{21}^2 are from [199], while all the other oscillation parameter values corresponds to the most probable values obtained by the Bayesian analysis on the T2K run 1-4 neutrino mode data [200]. The mass hierarchy is not marginalised but fixed to either NH or IH.

generated without consideration of energy scale variation and also does not commute with the other Super-K systematics, which are determined from data without any energy scale variation.

5.5.4 Oscillation parameters and mass hierarchy (7 parameters)

The 3-flavour oscillation probability is used. All the nuisance oscillation parameters, i.e. those parameters which are not shown in a given contour, are marginalised except the mass hierarchy which is fixed to either normal or inverted hierarchy.

For $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ two different priors can be used, depending on whether the reactor constraint is applied, denoted as “reactors”, when applied and “T2K only” when not applied. The value of the reactor constraint is 0.085 ± 0.005 for $\sin^2 2\theta_{13}$ from [206].

5.5.5 Systematic error on Super-K predictions

The effect of each category of systematic parameter on the expected event rate for Super-K sample is given in tables D.1 to D.5 (details of per-sample event rates for 1σ and 3σ variations of each independent systematic parameter can be found in appendix B). The mean and RMS of 10000 throws of the respective systematics (with correlations taken into account) is computed for each sample and in the case of pre-BANFF and post-BANFF errors. When not measuring the effect of oscillation parameters variations, the oscillation parameters are fixed at Asimov A values (see section 5.4.1.1).

For the measurement of δ_{CP} it is important to understand the effect of the systematic

uncertainties on the ratio of the number of events between neutrino and antineutrino mode samples. If correlations do not reproduce the physics correctly, a fake asymmetry between neutrino and antineutrino oscillations can be seen. Furthermore, if correlations exist but are not taken into account, the measurement of δ_{CP} could be biased. The true value of δ_{CP} determines whether correlations or anti-correlations between systematic parameters have the greatest effect in hiding any oscillation asymmetry. In particular, if true $\delta_{CP} = \pm\pi/2$ then anti-correlation in the e -like samples could hide any oscillation asymmetry. Alternatively, in the case that true $\delta_{CP} \sim 0$ it is uncorrelated parameters that reduce the sensitivity to δ_{CP} . The uncertainties on the ratios between neutrino and antineutrino mode events due to the systematic parameters are shown in table 5.13. The most critical systematic parameters are σ_{ν_e} and $\sigma_{\bar{\nu}_e}$ which are applied respectively to ν_e and $\bar{\nu}_e$ events. Their fractional error from the BANFF covariance matrix is 2.83% (see table 5.10) and they are partially anti-correlated with non-diagonal elements in the covariance matrix of -0.0004.

It can be seen in tables D.1 to D.5 (Appendix D) that the reduction in the error on flux and constrained cross-section systematics achieved through the BANFF fit reduces the fractional error due to all systematics from $\sim 14\%$ to $\sim 4\%$ and $\sim 11\%$ to $\sim 3\%$ in the neutrino- and antineutrino-mode μ -like samples respectively, from $\sim 16\%$ to $\sim 7\%$ and $\sim 13\%$ to $\sim 8\%$ in the neutrino- and antineutrino-mode e -like samples respectively, and from $\sim 25\%$ to $\sim 22\%$ in the ν_e CC1 π^+ -like sample. The poor constraint for the ν_e CC1 π^+ sample from the ND fit is due to the systematic uncertainties for this sample being dominated by Super-K detector errors and Super-K FSI+SI+PN errors as can be seen in table 5.13. Only the uncertainty on the parameters $\sin^2\theta_{13}$, $\sin^2\theta_{12}$, Δm_{21}^2 is considered which results in the small contribution from the oscillation parameters category for the μ -like samples as can be seen in figs. 5.8 and 5.9.

Error source	1-Ring μ		1-Ring e			
	FHC	RHC	FHC	RHC	FHC 1 d.e.	FHC/RHC
SK Detector	1.86	1.51	3.03	4.22	16.69	1.60
SK FSI+SI+PN	2.20	1.98	3.01	2.31	11.43	1.57
Flux + Xsec constrained	3.22	2.72	3.22	2.88	4.05	2.50
$\sigma(\nu_e)/\sigma(\bar{\nu}_e)$	0.00	0.00	2.63	1.46	2.62	3.03
NC1 γ	0.00	0.00	1.08	2.59	0.33	1.49
NC Other	0.25	0.25	0.14	0.33	0.98	0.18
Osc	0.04	0.03	3.86	3.60	3.78	0.79
All Systematics	4.40	3.76	6.10	6.51	20.94	4.77
All with osc	4.40	3.76	7.27	7.44	21.24	4.85

Table 5.13: Percentage error on event rate by error source and sample. Final column is the percentage error on the ratio of FHC/RHC events in the one-ring e sample.

The error envelopes corresponding to tables D.1 to D.5 are shown in figs. 5.6 to 5.21.

These error envelopes are determined by performing 1×10^4 correlated throws of the systematic parameter group under consideration and plotting the mean and Gaussian 1σ error resulting.

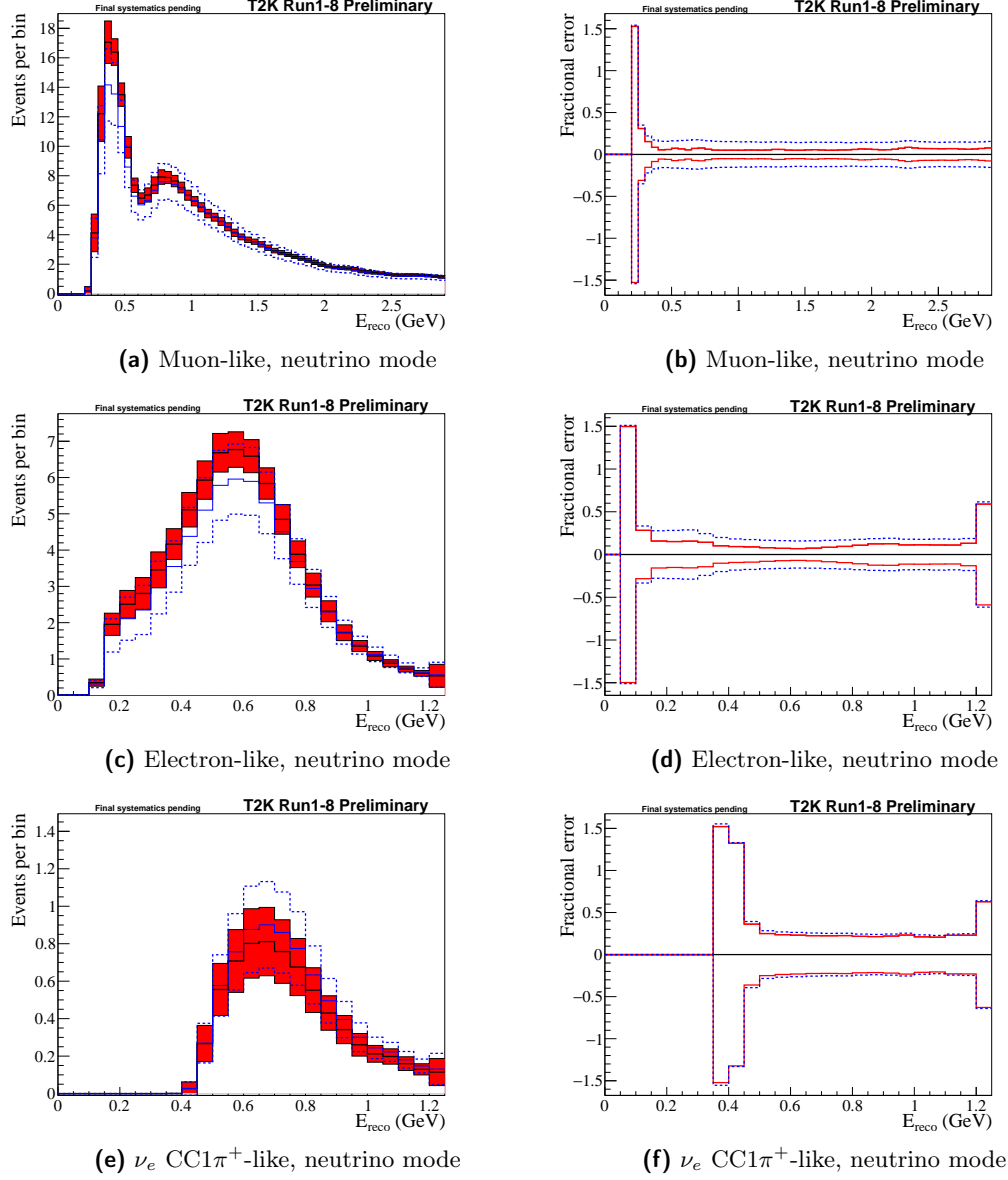


Figure 5.6: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for all systematic parameters for pre-BANFF (blue) and post-BANFF (red) errors. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account. Since δ_{CP} , $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$, Δm_{32}^2 and the mass hierarchy will be measured, only the uncertainty on $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$, $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ and Δm_{21}^2 are taken into account.

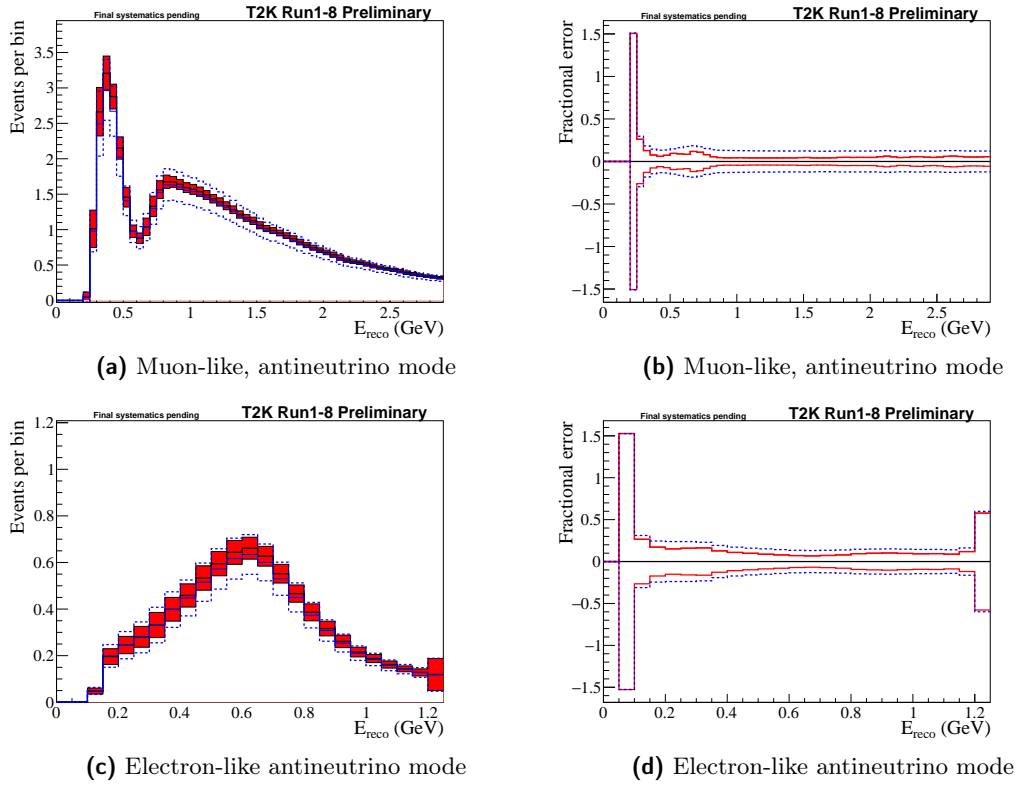


Figure 5.7: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for all systematic parameters for pre-BANFF (blue) and post-BANFF (red) errors. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account. Since δ_{CP} , $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$, Δm_{32}^2 and the mass hierarchy will be measured, only the uncertainty on $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$, $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ and Δm_{21}^2 are taken into account.

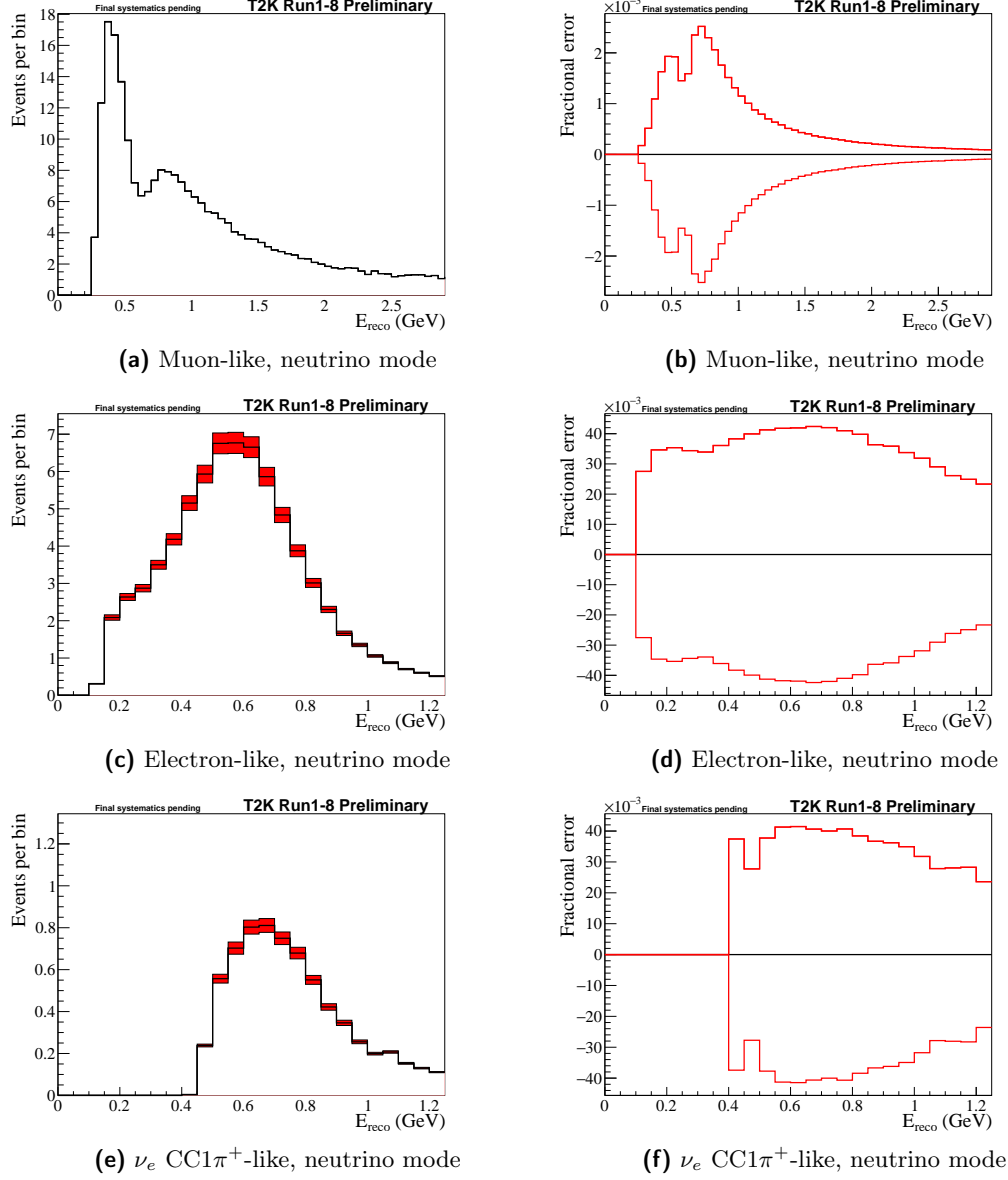


Figure 5.8: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for all oscillation nuisance parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account. Since δ_{CP} , $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$, Δm_{32}^2 and the mass hierarchy will be measured, only the uncertainty on $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$, $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ and Δm_{21}^2 are taken into account.

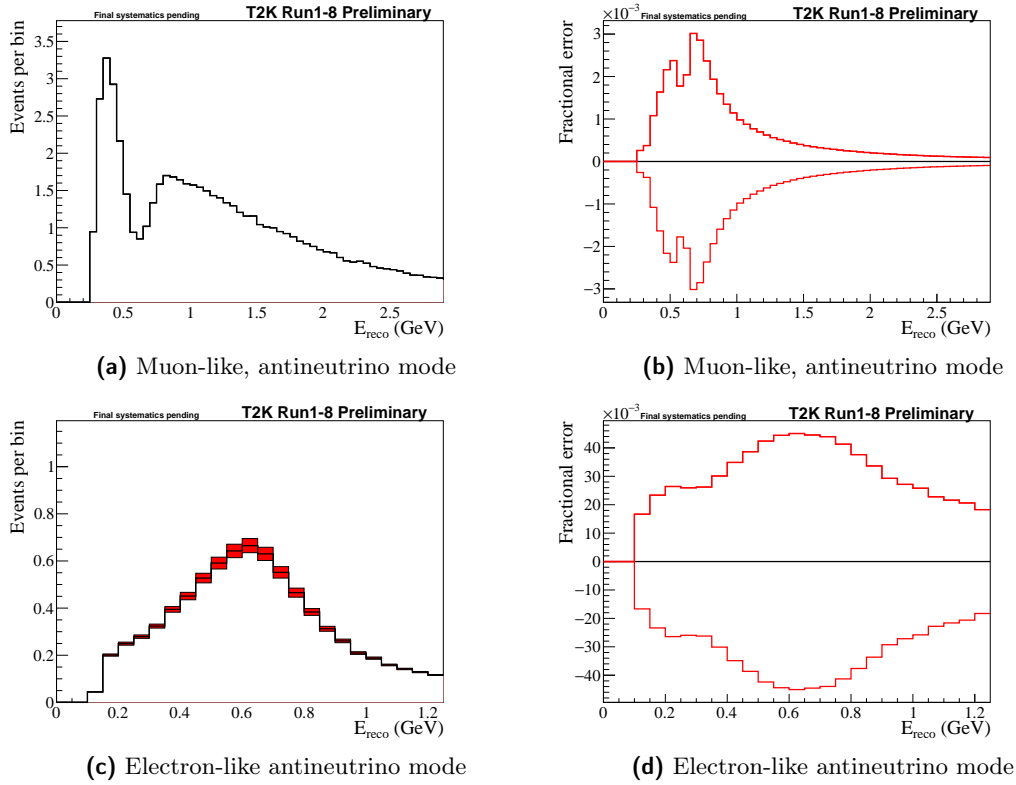


Figure 5.9: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for all oscillation nuisance parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account. Since δ_{CP} , $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$, Δm_{32}^2 and the mass hierarchy will be measured, only the uncertainty on $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$, $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ and Δm_{21}^2 are taken into account.

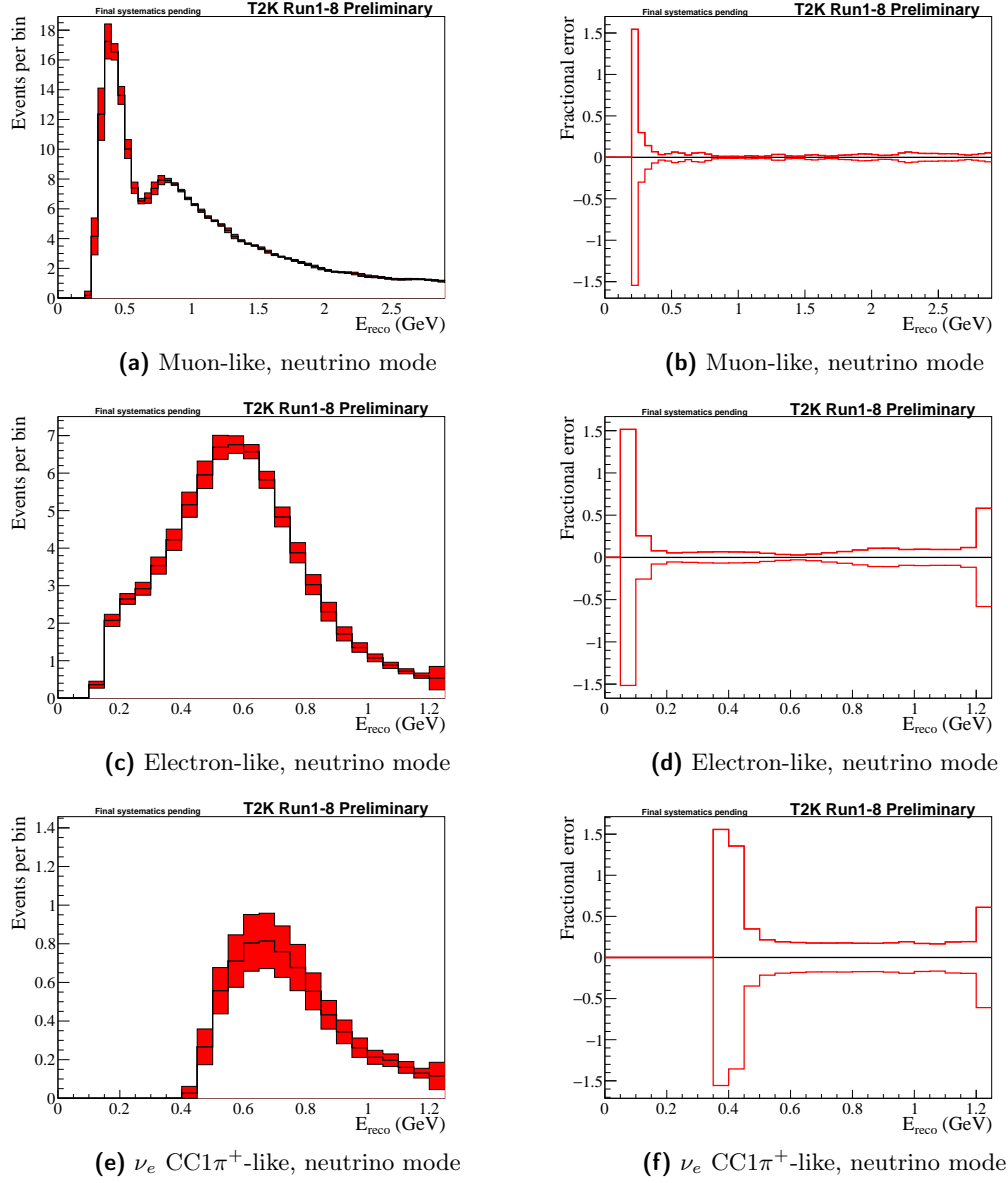


Figure 5.10: Error envelopes (left) and fractional error (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for Super-K detector systematic parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

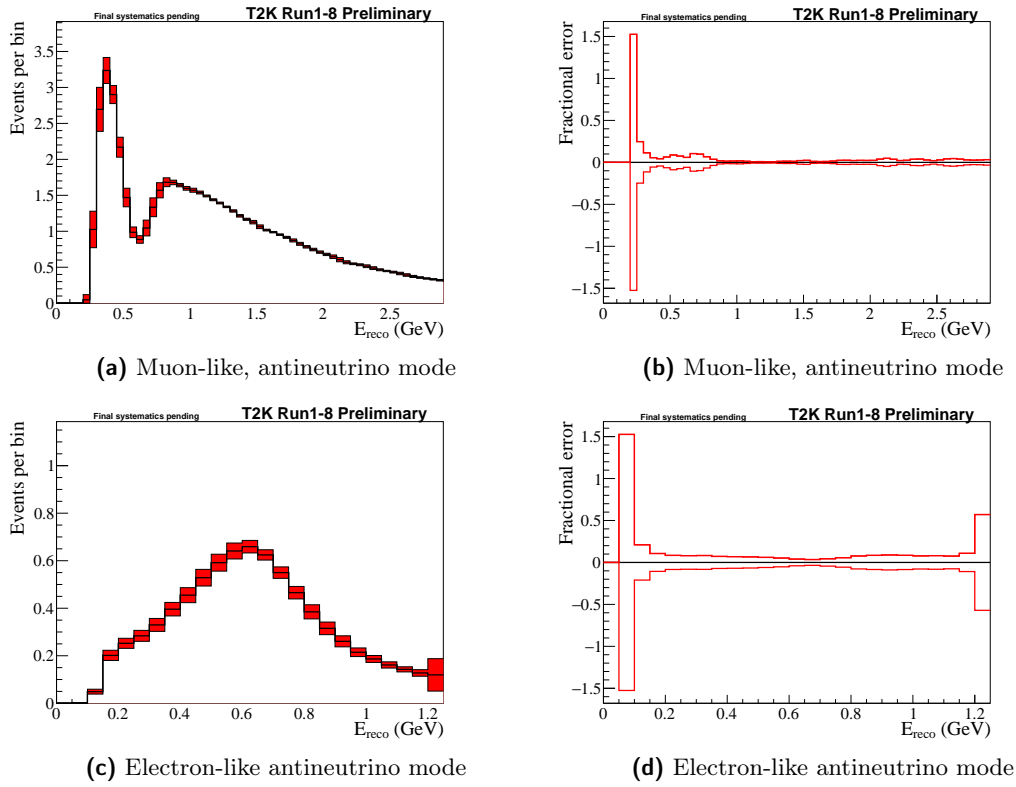


Figure 5.11: Error envelopes (left) and fractional error (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for Super-K detector systematic parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

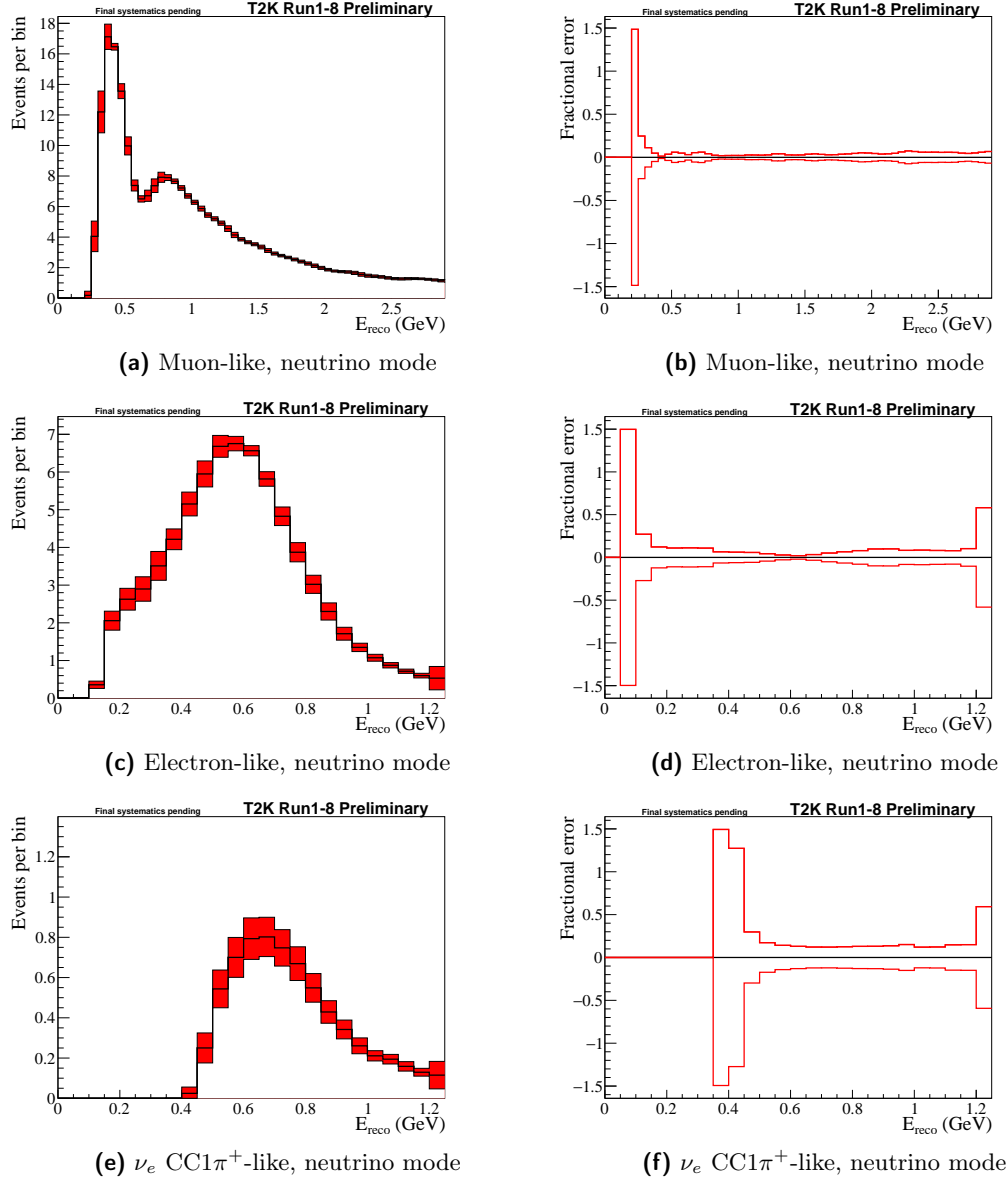


Figure 5.12: Error envelopes (left) and fractional error (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for Super-K FSI+SI+PN systematic parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

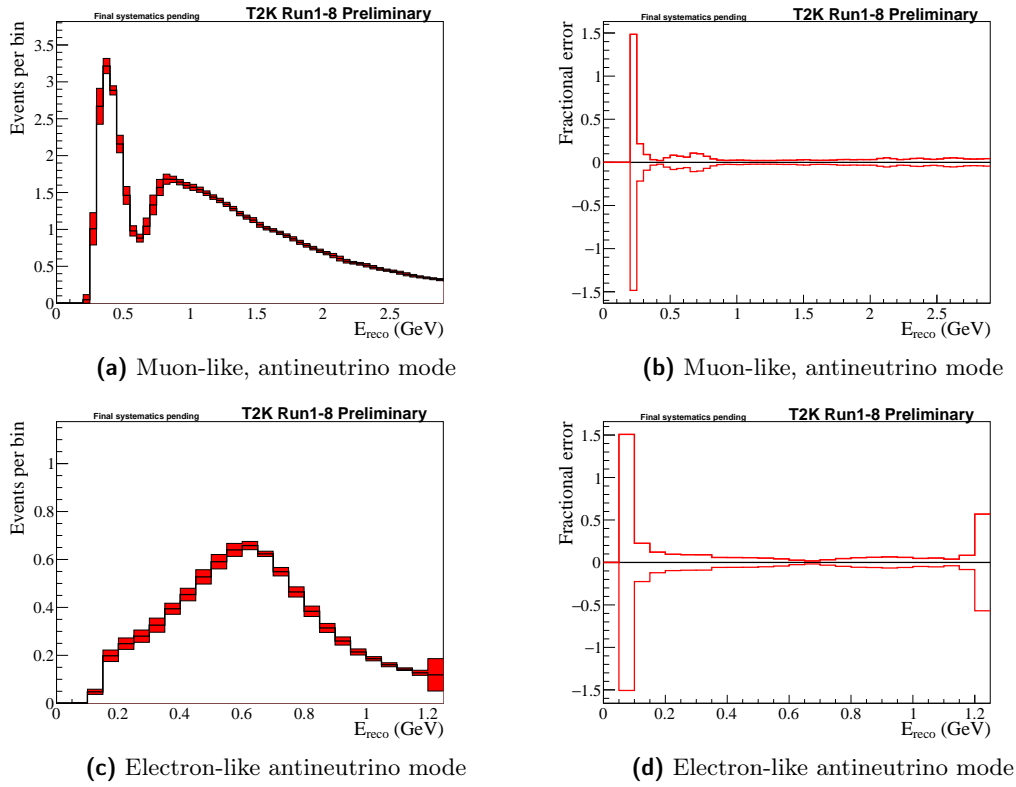


Figure 5.13: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for Super-K FSI+SI+PN systematic parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

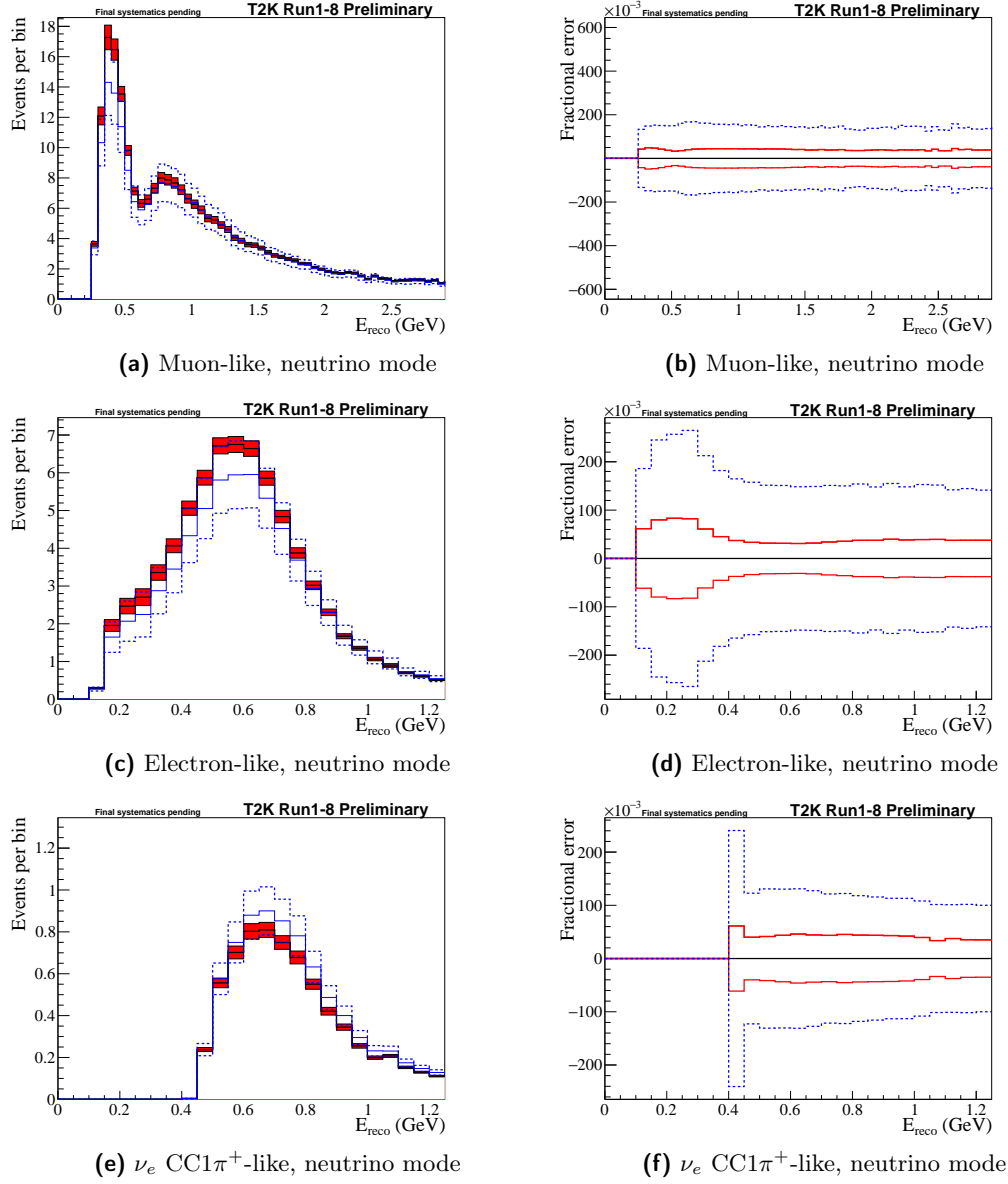


Figure 5.14: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for the flux and constrained cross-section systematic parameters for pre-BANFF (blue) and post-BANFF (red) errors. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

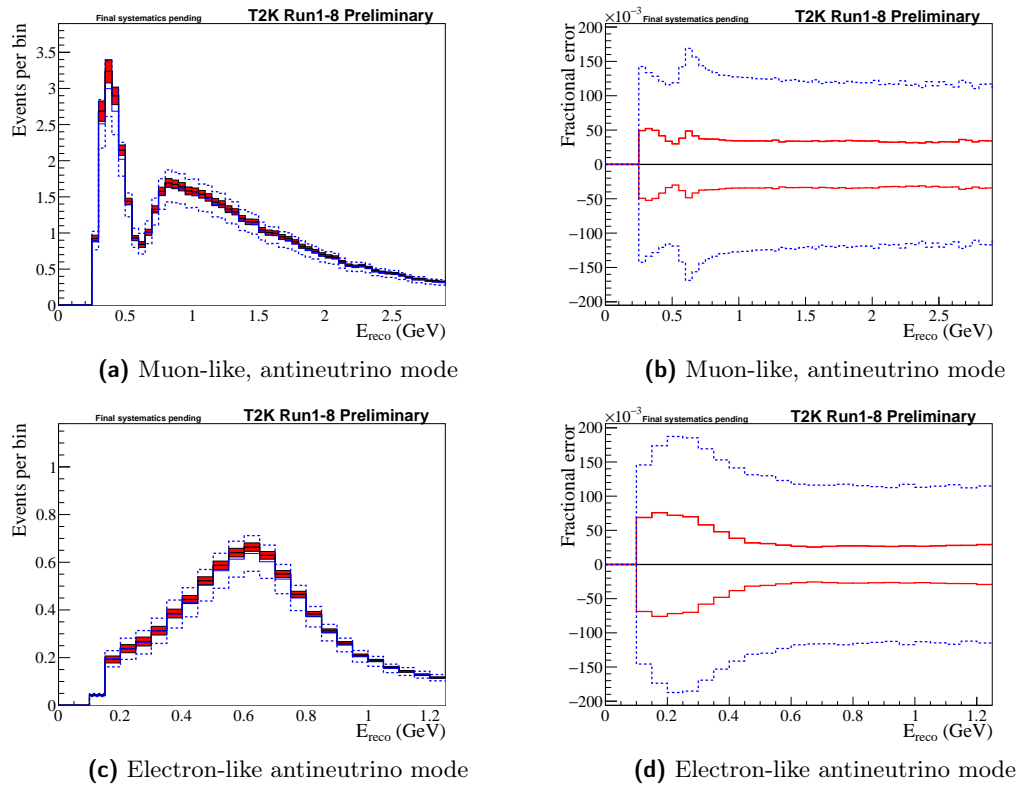


Figure 5.15: Error envelopes (left) and fractional error (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for the flux and constrained cross-section systematic parameters for pre-BANFF (blue) and post-BANFF (red) errors. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

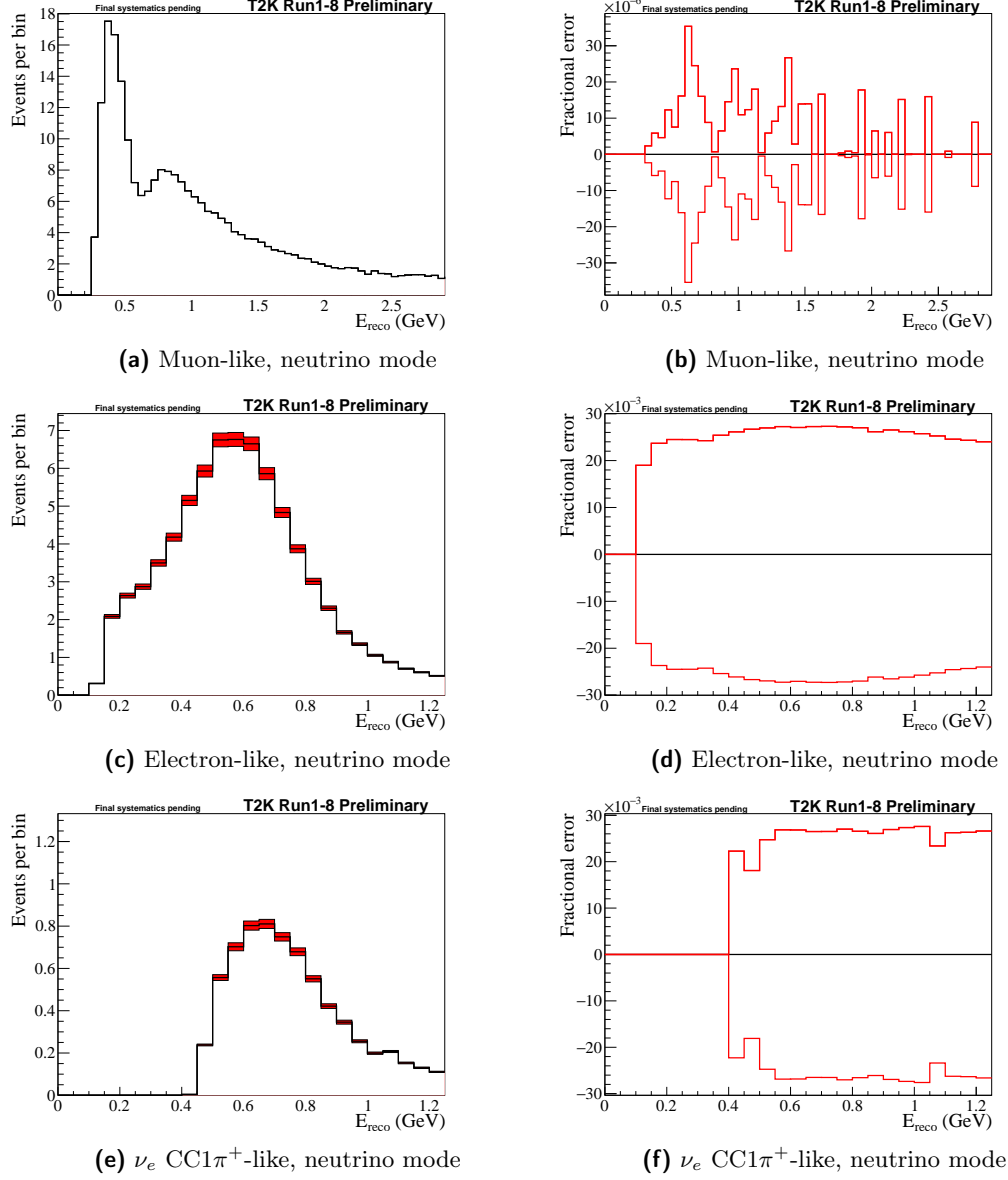


Figure 5.16: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for the unconstrained electron neutrino cross-section systematic parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

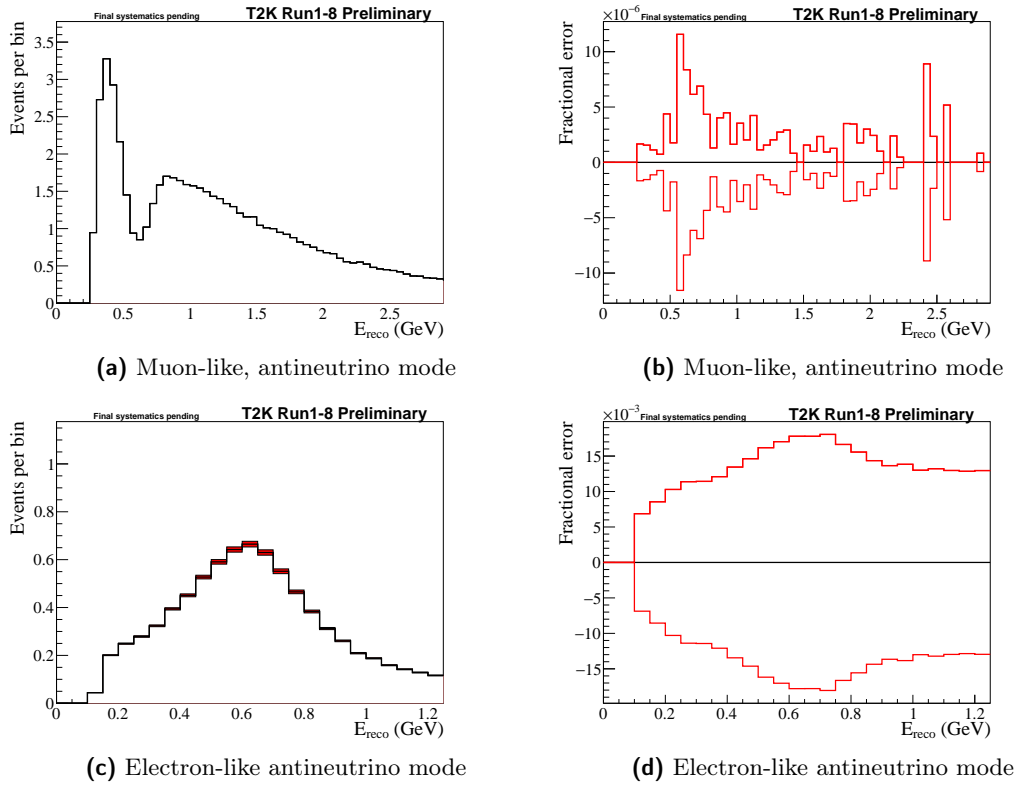


Figure 5.17: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for the unconstrained electron neutrino cross-section systematic parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

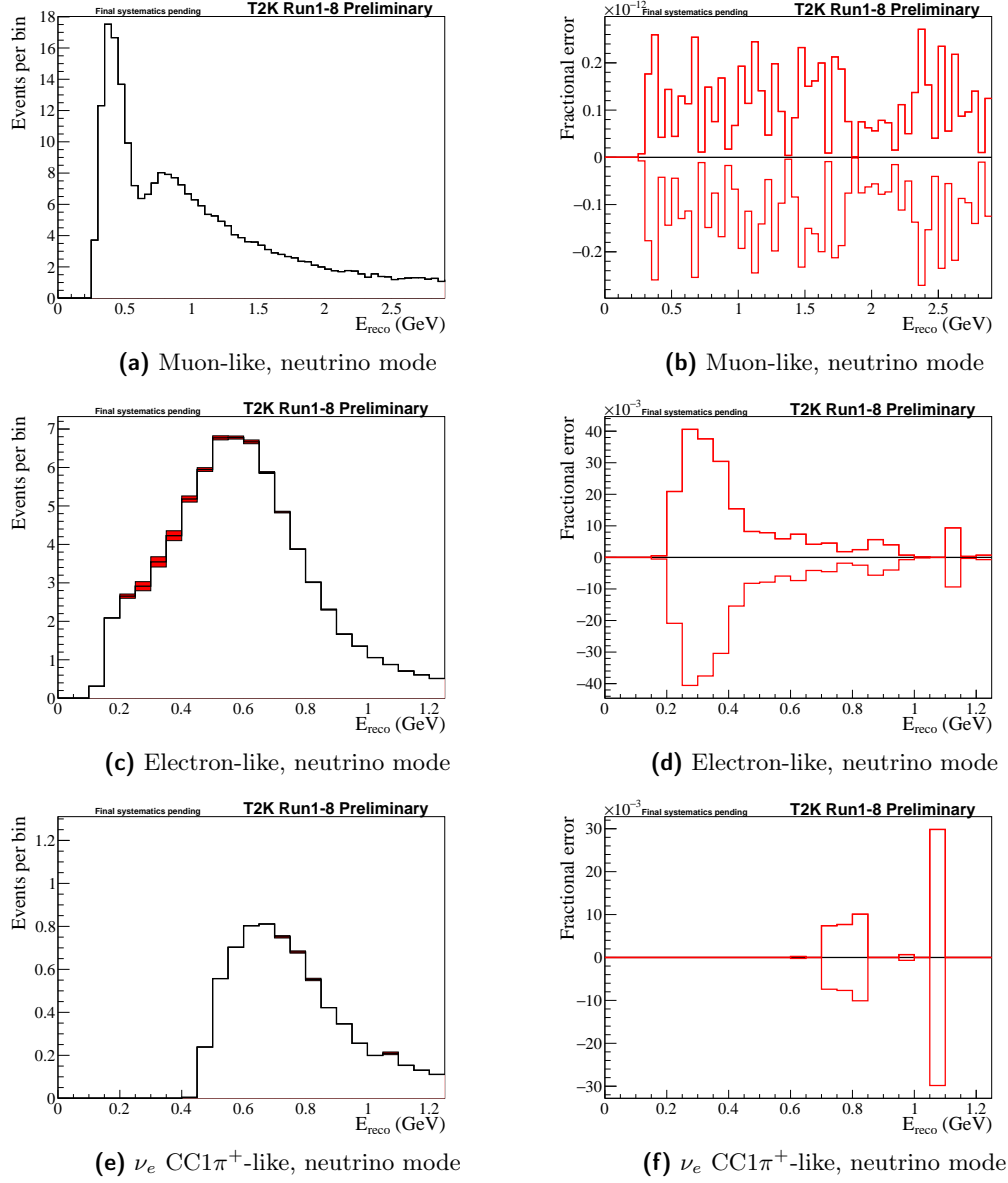


Figure 5.18: Error envelopes (left) and fractional error (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for the unconstrained NC1 γ systematic parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

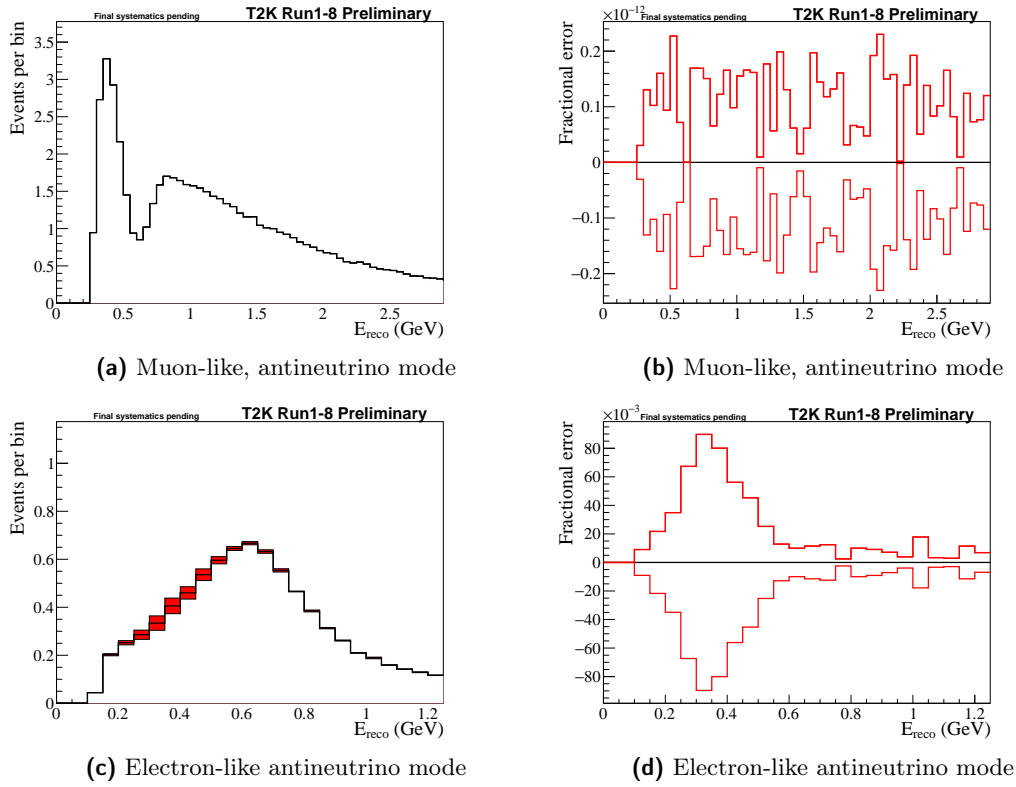


Figure 5.19: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for the unconstrained NC1 γ systematic parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

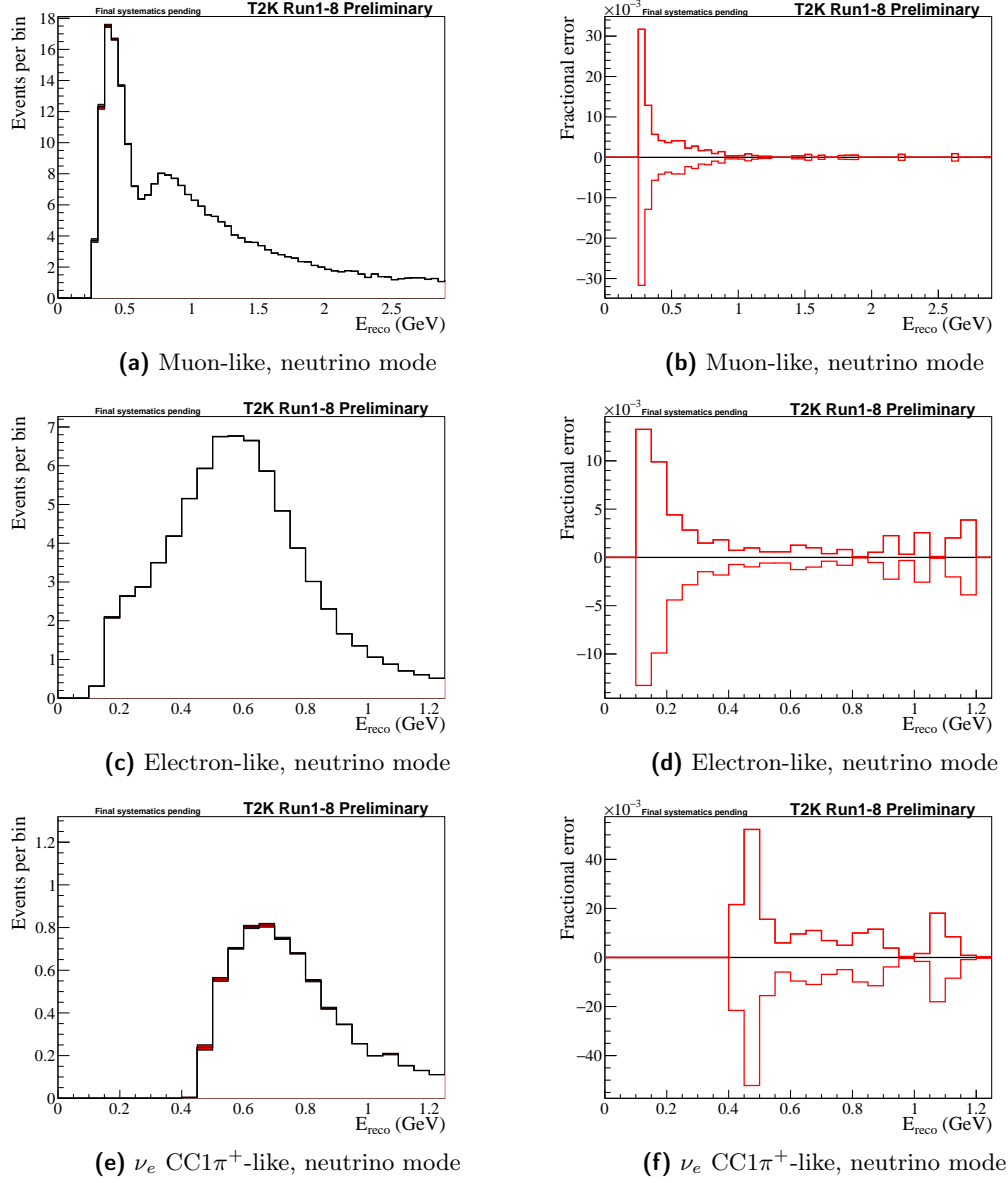


Figure 5.20: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for the unconstrained NCoher systematic parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

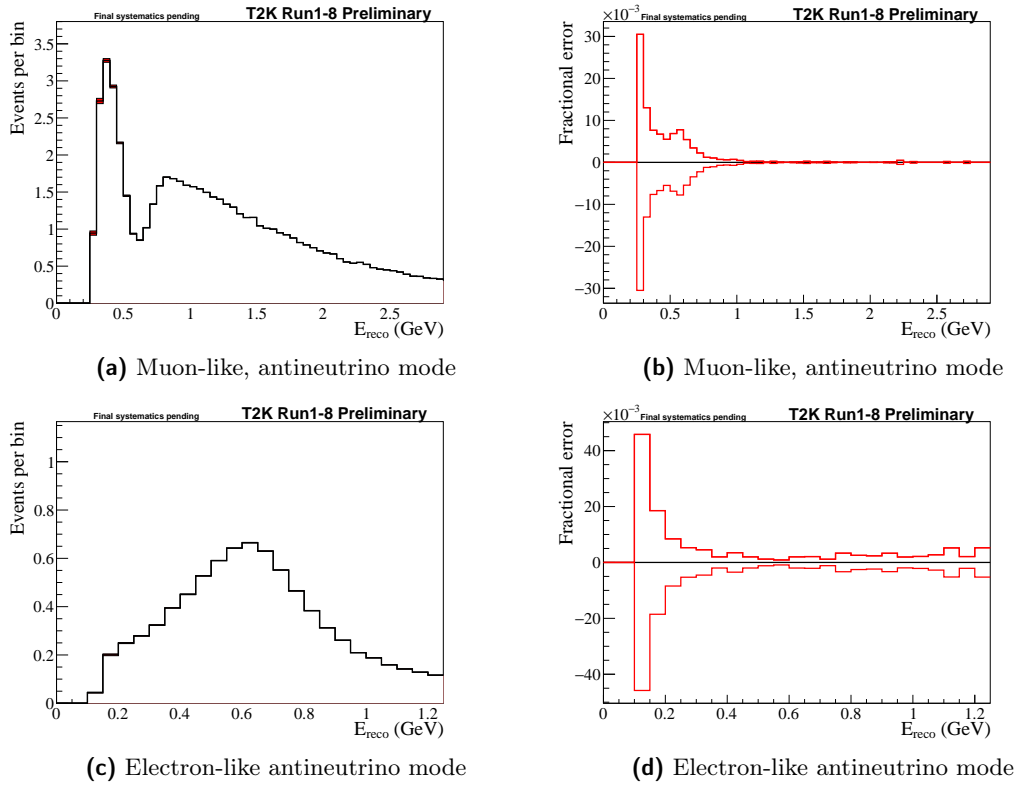


Figure 5.21: Error envelopes (left) and fractional errors (right) for the reconstructed neutrino energy spectrum for the unconstrained NCoher systematic parameters. 1×10^4 toys are generated for the Asimov data set A with randomized systematic parameters with correlations taken into account.

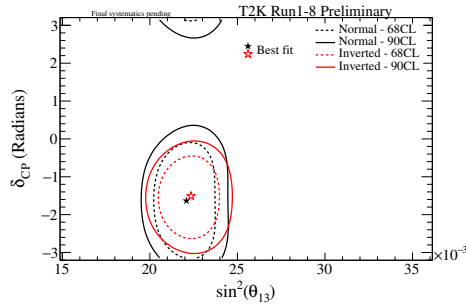
5.6 Expected Sensitivity studies

To determine the sensitivity of the analysis a number of fits were performed using Asimov data set A and B, the contours for which indicate the ability of the analysis to measure the oscillation parameters in the absence of statistical fluctuations and under the assumption that their true values correspond to the Asimov A (or B) values. Fits of single parameters are performed for each of $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$, δ_{CP} , $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ and Δm_{32}^2 , with two-dimensional fits being performed for δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ and Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$. Fits are performed for each of normal and inverted hierarchy, and also with and without the reactor constraint on $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$.

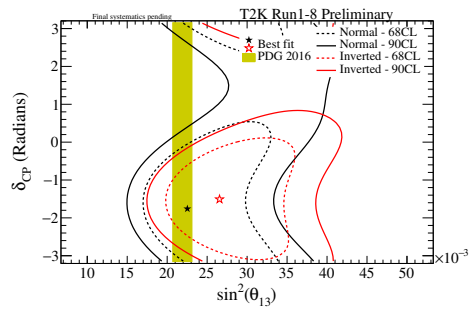
5.6.1 Results for Asimov sets A and B

5.6.1.1 Results for δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$

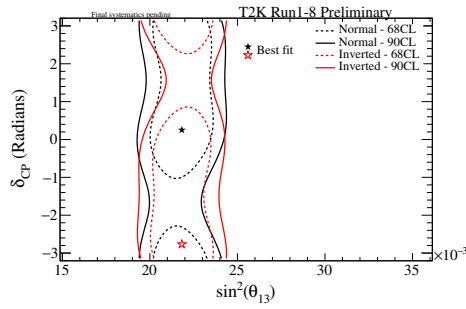
In fig. 5.22 the sensitivity to δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ with reactor constraint and T2K only is shown for the Asimov data sets A and B. Note that in the Asimov B case it can be seen that the best-fit point is shifted away from the true δ_{CP} value of zero towards $-\pi$. In addition to best-fit points being moved from the true value due to marginalisation of oscillation and systematic parameters there are additional contributing effects. There is a lack of sensitivity to distinguish $\delta_{CP} = 0$ and $\delta_{CP} = \pi$ due to the spectra for $\delta_{CP} = 0$ in inverted hierarchy being similar to the spectra for $\delta_{CP} = \pi$ in normal hierarchy and vice versa (see fig. G.1 in appendix G), leading to similar $\Delta\chi^2$ values for the two points. This can be seen in fig. 5.24(c) and fig. 5.24(d), with the difference in $\Delta\chi_{true}^2$ and $\Delta\chi_{best-fit}^2$ being only ~ 0.2 . Furthermore, degeneracy between δ_{CP} and mass hierarchy can cause $\delta_{CP} = 0$ to behave more like $\delta_{CP} = \pi/2$ in inverted hierarchy, and more like $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$ in normal hierarchy, shifting the best-fit for inverted hierarchy away from zero to a value between $-\pi$ and $-\pi/2$.



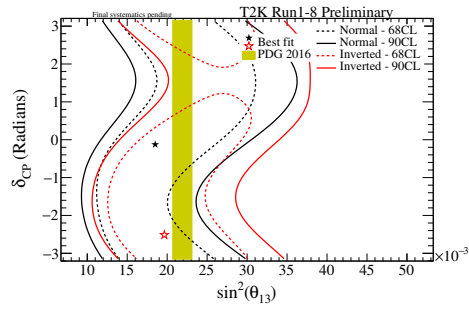
(a) Asimov A δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ with reactor constraint



(b) Asimov A δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ T2K only



(c) Asimov B δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ with reactor constraint

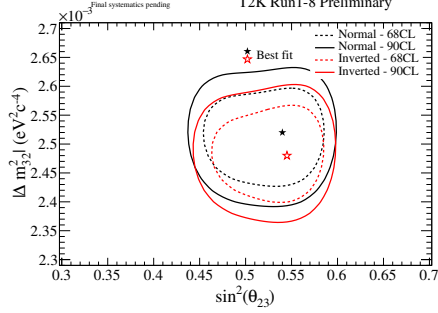


(d) Asimov B δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ T2K only

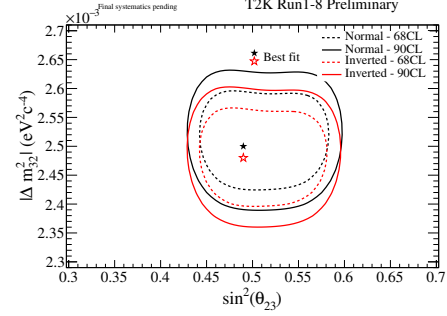
Figure 5.22: Contours at 68% and 90% CL for δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ with and without reactor constraint for Asimov data sets A and B. Normal and inverted hierarchy contours are independent. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.6.1.2 Results for Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$

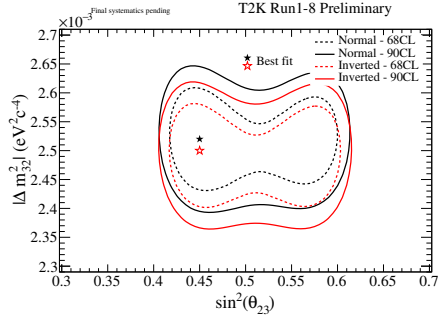
The sensitivity to Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with reactor constraint and T2K only is shown for the Asimov data sets A and B in fig. 5.23.



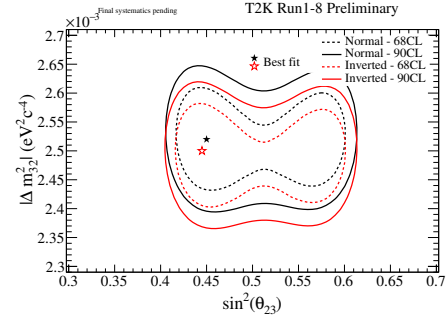
(a) Asimov A Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with reactor constraint



(b) Asimov A Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ T2K only



(c) Asimov B Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with reactor constraint



(d) Asimov B Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ T2K only

Figure 5.23: Contours at 68% and 90% CL for Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with and without reactor constraint for Asimov data sets A and B. Normal and inverted hierarchy contours are independent. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.6.1.3 Results for δ_{CP}

The sensitivity to δ_{CP} with reactor constraint and T2K only is shown for the Asimov data sets A and B in fig. 5.24.

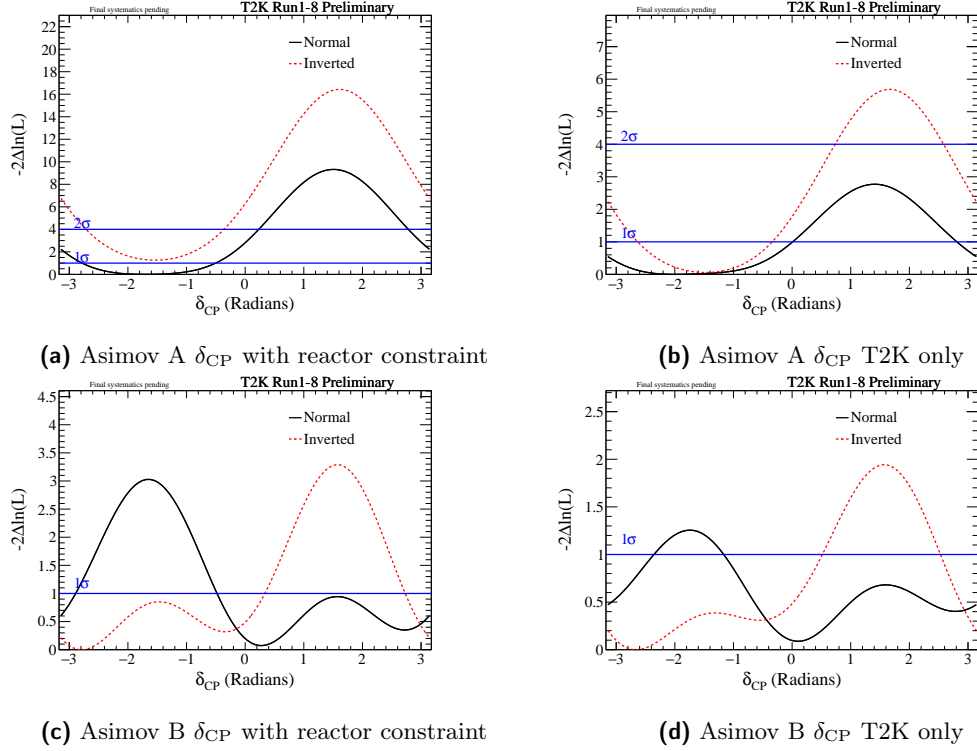


Figure 5.24: The expected $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution as a function of δ_{CP} with and without reactor constraint for Asimov data sets A and B. The mass hierarchy is minimized, with normal and inverted hierarchy $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions shifted to the same global best-fit χ^2 value, which is taken to be the minimum between normal and inverted hierarchy. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.6.1.4 Results for $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$

The sensitivity to $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ (without reactor constraint) is shown for the Asimov data sets A and B in fig. 5.25.

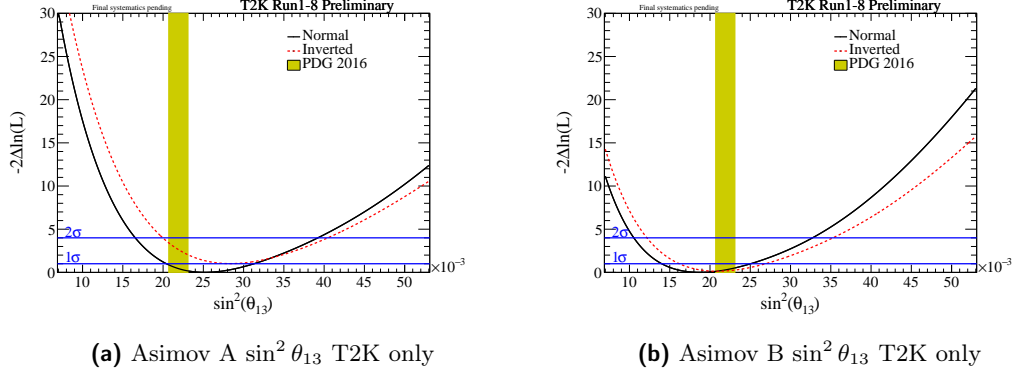


Figure 5.25: The expected $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution as a function of $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ without reactor constraint for Asimov data sets A and B. The mass hierarchy is minimized, with normal and inverted hierarchy $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions shifted to the same global best-fit χ^2 value, which is taken to be the minimum between normal and inverted hierarchy. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.6.1.5 Results for $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$

The sensitivity to $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with reactor constraint and T2K only is shown for the Asimov data sets A and B in fig. 5.26.

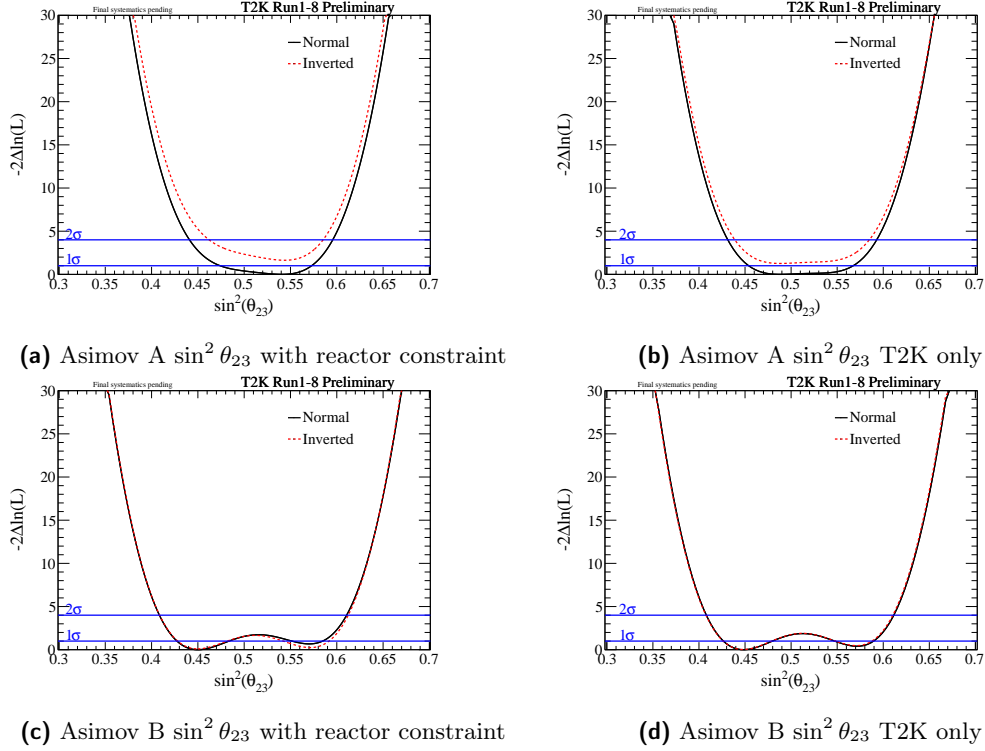


Figure 5.26: The expected $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution as a function of $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with and without reactor constraint for Asimov data sets A and B. The mass hierarchy is minimized, with normal and inverted hierarchy $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions shifted to the same global best-fit χ^2 value, which is taken to be the minimum between normal and inverted hierarchy. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.6.1.6 Results for Δm_{32}^2

The sensitivity to Δm_{32}^2 with reactor constraint and T2K only is shown for the Asimov data sets A and B in fig. 5.27.

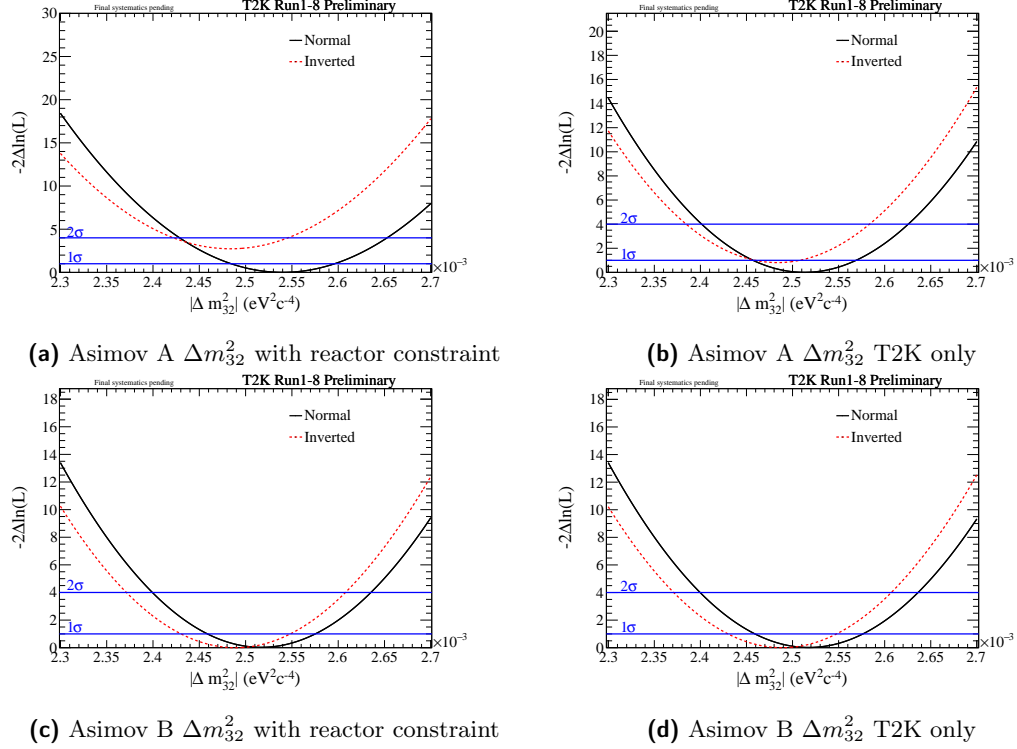


Figure 5.27: The expected $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution as a function of Δm_{32}^2 with and without reactor constraint for Asimov data sets A and B. The mass hierarchy is minimized, with normal and inverted hierarchy $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions shifted to the same global best-fit χ^2 value, which is taken to be the minimum between normal and inverted hierarchy. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.7 Results of the $\nu\bar{\nu}$ joint analysis with the Run 1-8 dataset

The results of the Run 1-8 data set fit, for an exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT in neutrino mode and of 7.558×10^{20} POT in antineutrino mode, are shown in this chapter. In fig. 5.28 the predicted spectra of μ -like and e -like samples are compared to the observed data. In table 5.14 the expected and observed number of events in Run 1-8 data set are shown. The predicted number of events are shown for the oscillation parameters of Asimov data sets A and B. The comparison of the confidence intervals obtained by the fit of the Run 1-8 data set among all the oscillation analysis groups is shown in [207].

The predicted and observed spectra are shown for each of the samples in fig. 5.28. The e -like samples are broken down into E_{rec} and θ projections in fig. 5.29.

Beam mode	Sample	Exp. Asimov A	Exp. Asimov A ($\delta_{CP} = 0$)	Exp. Asimov B	Exp. Not Osc	Observed
ν	μ -like	268.415	268.053	280.994	1209.918	240
ν	e -like	73.476	61.434	54.684	15.356	74
$\bar{\nu}$	μ -like	64.278	64.123	66.010	211.548	68
$\bar{\nu}$	e -like	7.911	9.023	8.187	3.243	7
ν	ν_e CC1 π^+ -like	6.919	6.009	5.389	2.543	15

Table 5.14: The observed, expected and best-fit number of events in Run 1-8 data set for an exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT in neutrino mode and of 7.558×10^{20} POT in antineutrino mode are shown for each selected sample. The prediction is produced using the BANFF tuning and the oscillation parameters shown in table 5.1.

Beam mode	Sample	Exp. Best-fit ($\delta_{CP} = -1.883$)	Exp. Best-fit ($\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$)	Exp. Best-Fit ($\delta_{CP} = 0$)	Exp. Best-Fit ($\delta_{CP} = \pi/2$)	Exp. Best-Fit ($\delta_{CP} = \pi$)	Observed
ν	μ -like	270.824	270.634	269.953	270.60058	271.396	240
ν	e -like	86.513	86.962	73.734	60.527	73.754	74
$\bar{\nu}$	μ -like	64.996	64.940	64.739	64.941	65.159	68
$\bar{\nu}$	e -like	9.309	9.2918	10.576	11.678	10.394	7
ν	ν_e CC1 π^+ -like	8.045	8.125	7.137	5.838	6.826	15

Table 5.15: The observed and number of events for the NH best fit values of the oscillation parameters in Run 1-8 data set for an exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT in neutrino mode and of 7.558×10^{20} POT in antineutrino mode are shown for each selected sample. The prediction is produced using the BANFF tuning and the oscillation parameters shown in table 5.16.

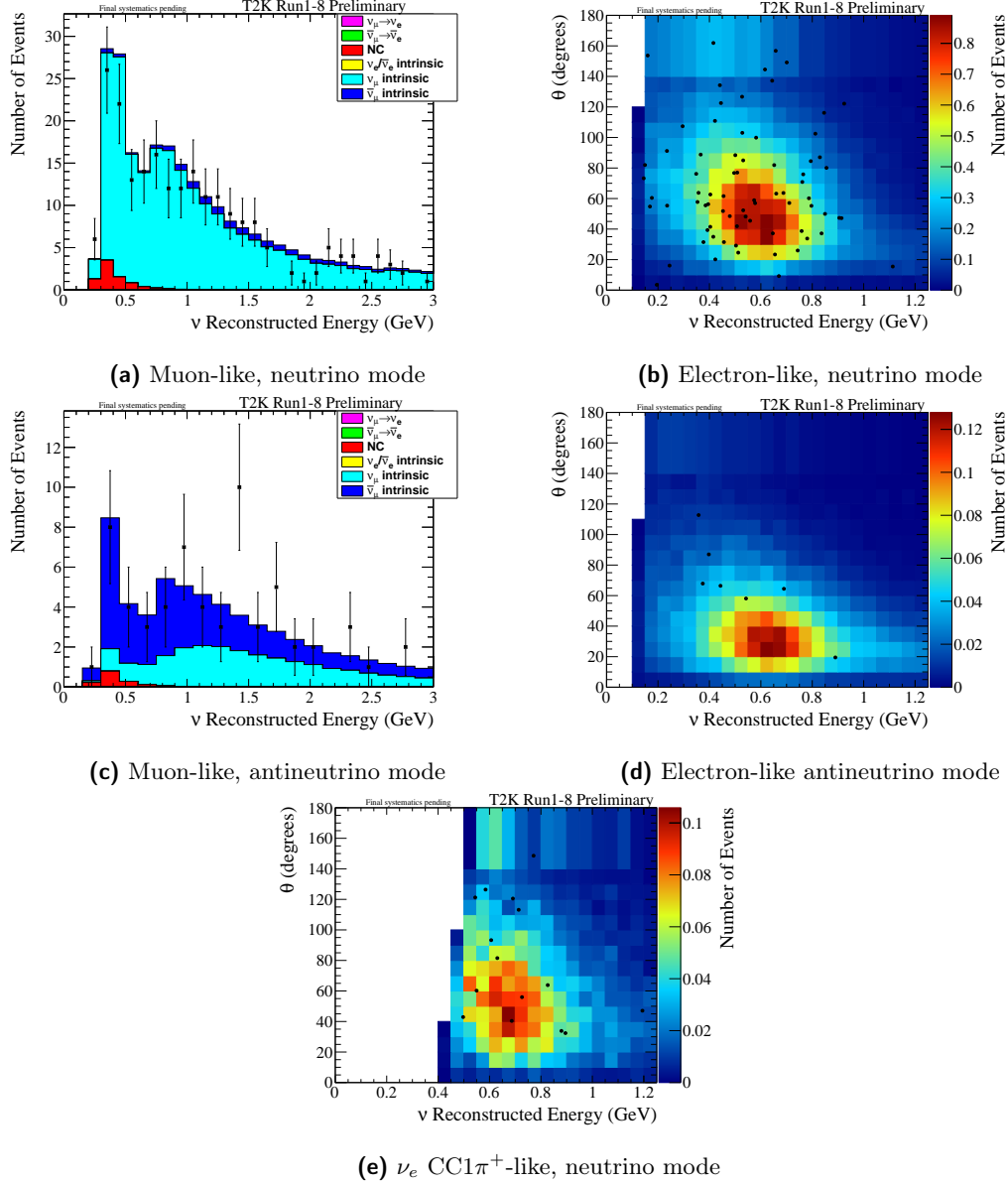


Figure 5.28: Predicted spectra and observed events (points). μ -like distributions are a function of the reconstructed neutrino energy, while the e -like, including ν_e CC $1\pi^+$, distributions are functions of both the reconstructed neutrino energy and the reconstructed angle between the outgoing lepton and the neutrino direction. The distributions correspond to the statistics collected in the full Run 1-8 data set. The spectra are generated with the systematic parameters described in section 5.5 and the oscillation parameters corresponding to the best-fit values from the data fit (solar parameters at PDG 2016).

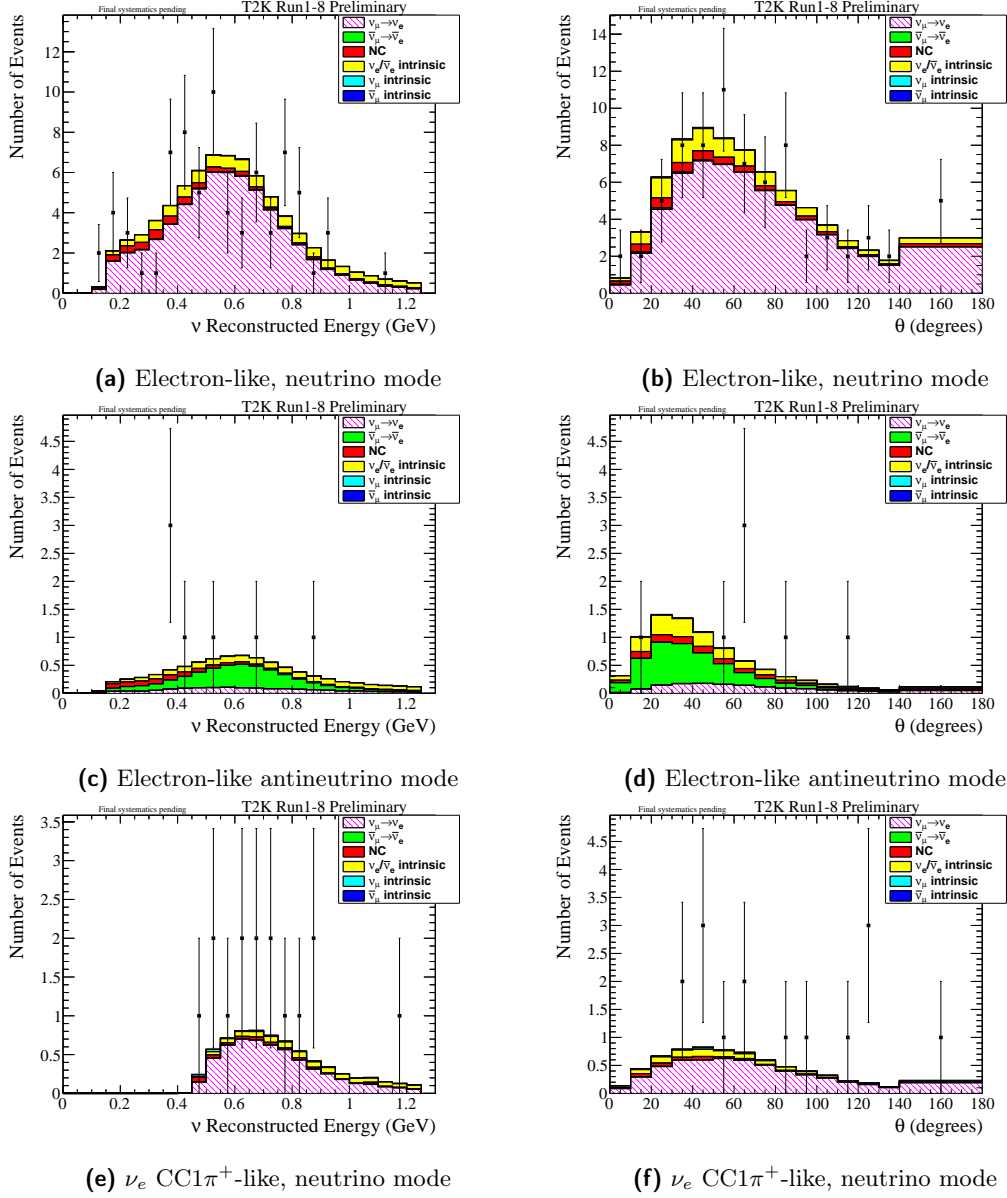


Figure 5.29: Predicted spectra and observed events (points). The e -like, including ν_e CC1 π^+ , distributions are functions of both the reconstructed neutrino energy and the reconstructed angle between the outgoing lepton and the neutrino direction, with the projections in each variable shown here. The distributions correspond to the statistics collected in the full Run 1-8 data set. The spectra are generated with the systematic parameters described in section 5.5 and the oscillation parameters corresponding to the best-fit values from the data fit (solar parameters at PDG 2016).

Parameter	Reactor	Best-fit (NH)	$\pm 1\sigma$ (NH)	Best-fit (IH)	$\pm 1\sigma$ (IH)
δ_{CP}	Yes	-1.833	[-2.476,-1.151]	-1.374	[-1.947,-0.886]
δ_{CP}	No	-2.083	[-2.972,-1.151]	-1.157	[-1.965,-0.403]
$\sin^2 \theta_{13}$	No	0.0277	[0.0230,0.0331]	0.0331	[0.0265,0.0378]
$\sin^2 \theta_{23}$	Yes	0.530	[0.493,0.561]	0.530	[0.496,0.559]
Δm_{32}^2 or Δm_{13}^2 ($10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2/\text{c}^4$)	Yes	2.462	[2.407,2.519]	2.436	[2.383,2.491]

Table 5.16: The Run 1-8 measured oscillation parameter best-fit and the $\pm 1\sigma$ intervals are shown for normal and inverted hierarchies with respect to the hierarchy best-fit. The $\pm 1\sigma$ interval is obtained by using the constant $\Delta\chi^2$ method. For each parameter normal hierarchy is the global best-fit.

The best-fit values and 1σ ranges for each oscillation parameter are shown in table 5.16 for normal hierarchy (which is preferred in all data fits). The 1σ ranges are extracted for each oscillation parameter from the 1-dimensional $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions shown in figs. 5.32 to 5.35.

The 1-dimensional contours are plotted with respect to the global minimum from normal and inverted hierarchies, while the 2-dimensional confidence intervals are shown drawing the normal and inverted hierarchy contours independently, i.e. each contour is produced with respect to the global minimum under that hierarchy hypothesis.

5.7.1 Results for δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$

In fig. 5.30 the result for δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ with reactor constraint and T2K only is shown. The fit shows agreement with the reactor constraint with further discussion in section 5.7.8. The 1D projection of $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ is shown in section 5.7.4 and for δ_{CP} in section 5.7.3.

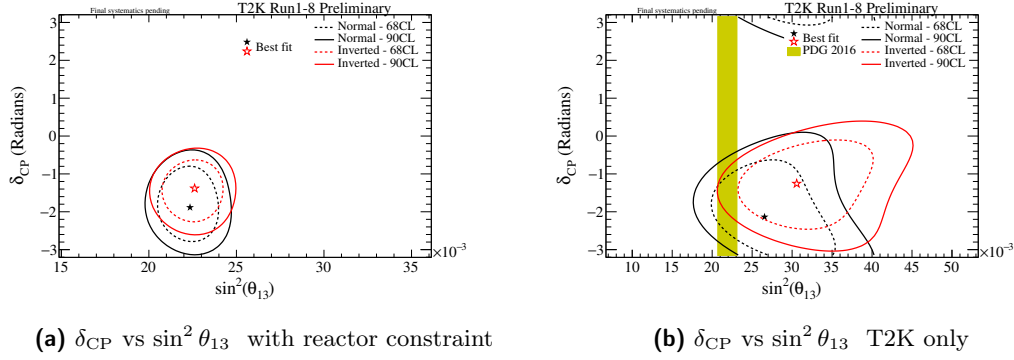


Figure 5.30: Contours at 68% and 90% CL for δ_{CP} vs $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ with and without reactor constraint. Normal and inverted hierarchy contours are independent. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.7.2 Results for Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$

The result for Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with reactor constraint and T2K only is shown in fig. 5.31. The parameter $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ is shown in section 5.7.5, and Δm_{32}^2 in section 5.7.6. Results are further discussed in section 5.7.8

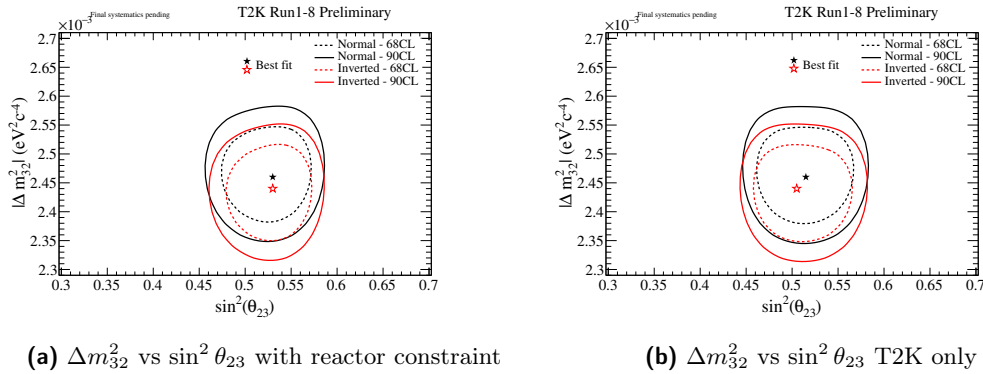


Figure 5.31: Contours at 68% and 90% CL for Δm_{32}^2 vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with and without reactor constraint. Normal and inverted hierarchy contours are independent. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.7.3 Results for δ_{CP}

The result for δ_{CP} with reactor constraint and T2K only is shown in fig. 5.32. A stronger than expected constraint is observed based on the Asimov A data set, this is further discussed in section 5.7.8, and studies performed to understand the sensitivity in section 5.7.9.

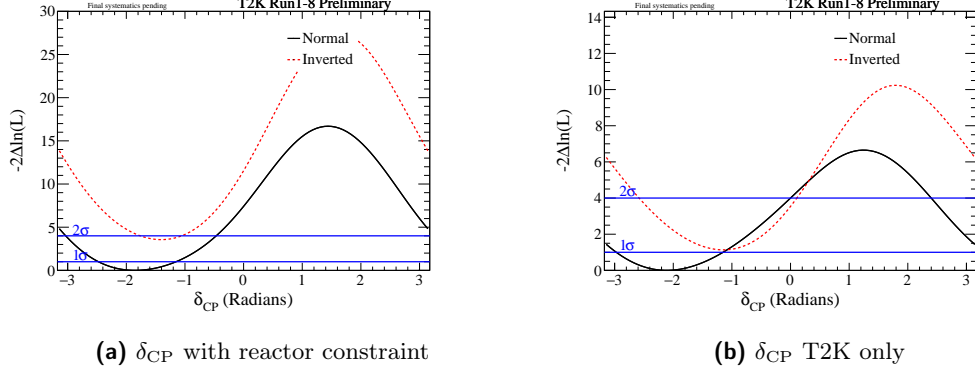


Figure 5.32: The expected $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution as a function of δ_{CP} with and without reactor constraint. The mass hierarchy is minimized, with normal and inverted hierarchy $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions shifted to the same global best-fit χ^2 value, which is taken to be the minimum between normal and inverted hierarchy. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.7.4 Results for $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$

The result for $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ (without reactor constraint) is shown in fig. 5.33.

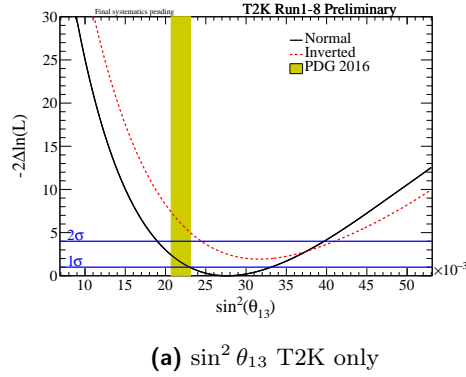


Figure 5.33: The expected $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution as a function of $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ without reactor constraint. The mass hierarchy is minimized, with normal and inverted hierarchy $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions shifted to the same global best-fit χ^2 value, which is taken to be the minimum between normal and inverted hierarchy. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.7.5 Results for $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$

The result for $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with reactor constraint and T2K only is shown in fig. 5.34. To understand the stronger than expected constraint from the data fit studies described in section 5.7.10 were carried out.

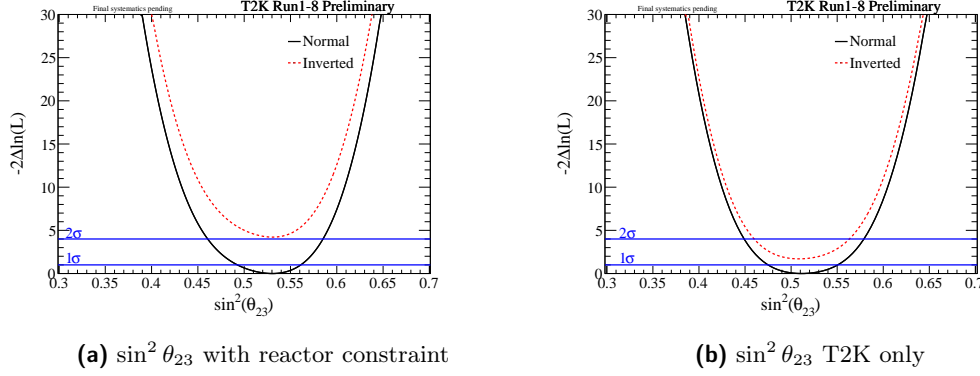


Figure 5.34: The expected $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution as a function of $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ with and without reactor constraint. The mass hierarchy is minimized, with normal and inverted hierarchy $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions shifted to the same global best-fit χ^2 value, which is taken to be the minimum between normal and inverted hierarchy. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.7.6 Results for Δm_{32}^2

The result for Δm_{32}^2 with reactor constraint and T2K only is shown in fig. 5.35. To understand the constraint compared with the data fit studies described in section 5.7.10 were carried out.

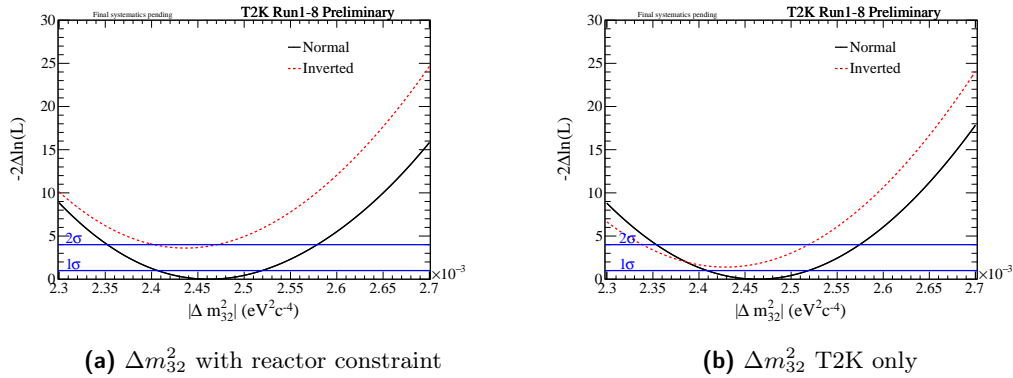


Figure 5.35: The expected $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution as a function of Δm_{32}^2 with and without reactor constraint. The mass hierarchy is minimized, with normal and inverted hierarchy $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions shifted to the same global best-fit χ^2 value, which is taken to be the minimum between normal and inverted hierarchy. All 5 samples were used to produce these fits.

5.7.7 Feldman-Cousins simultaneous fit of δ_{CP} and mass hierarchy

This section presents the results of the Feldman-Cousins fit of δ_{CP} and mass hierarchy. Throws of oscillation parameters are made according to PDG 2016 best-fit values and errors for $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$, $\sin^2 \theta_{12}$ and Δm_{21}^2 , whilst $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ and Δm_{32}^2 are thrown according to the likelihood distribution produced by an Asimov fit using the best-fit values from data for these parameters, this is an updated method from the previous analysis and the proposal is given in [197]. δ_{CP} is fixed at one of 9 evenly specified values in the range $[-\pi, \pi]$.

5.7.7.1 Input oscillation parameters

The distributions of oscillation parameters (for normal hierarchy) are shown in fig. 5.36. Note that whilst the distributions of the atmospheric parameters are shown independently they are generated jointly from the likelihood distribution shown in fig. 5.37.

5.7.7.2 Feldman-Cousins critical values and confidence intervals

In fig. 5.38 the confidence intervals obtained with the ‘Feldman-Cousins’ method are shown for δ_{CP} and mass hierarchy with reactor constraint for the Run 1-8 data set. The critical values at 90%, 2σ and 3σ CL are computed for both the mass hierarchies at the following true values of δ_{CP} ; $-\pi$, $-3\pi/4$, $-\pi/2$, $-\pi/4$, 0 , $+\pi/4$, $+\pi/2$, $+3\pi/4$, and $+\pi$. Inverted hierarchy is almost excluded at 2σ , except for a small interval around $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$. Both $\delta_{CP} = 0$ and $\delta_{CP} = \pi$ are excluded at 2σ . In table 5.17 the 2σ CL intervals for δ_{CP} versus mass hierarchy, obtained with the Feldman-Cousins method, are shown.

Parameter	Reactor	CL	Normal hierarchy	Inverted hierarchy
δ_{CP}	Yes	90%	$[-2.805, -0.830]$	-
δ_{CP}	Yes	2σ	$[-2.981, -0.600]$	$[-1.531, -1.184]$

Table 5.17: The confidence intervals at 2σ CL obtained with the Feldman-Cousins method for the Run 1-8 data set is shown for the measurement of δ_{CP} versus mass hierarchy.

In fig. 5.38 the confidence intervals obtained with the ‘Feldman-Cousins’ method are shown for δ_{CP} and mass hierarchy with reactor constraint for the Run 1-8 data set. The critical values at 90%, 2σ and 3σ CL are computed for both the mass hierarchies and the following true values of δ_{CP} : $-\pi$, $-3\pi/4$, $-\pi/2$, $-\pi/4$, 0 , $+\pi/4$, $+\pi/2$, $+3\pi/4$, $+\pi$. The procedure described in section 5.3.3.1 is used.

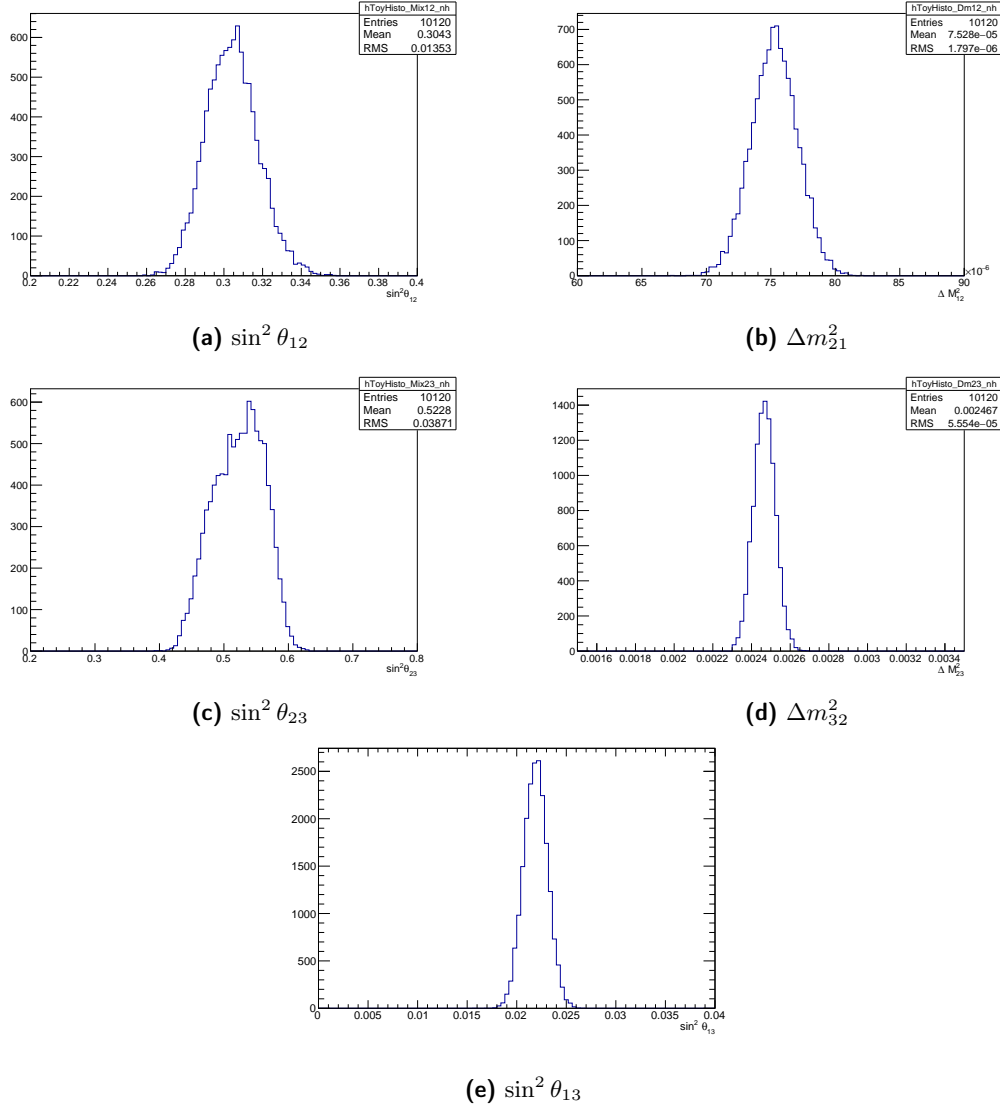


Figure 5.36: Distribution of oscillation parameter throws for Feldman-Cousins fits.

5.7.8 Discussion of the Run 1-8 data fit results

The ν_e CC1 π^+ data set shows an excess in the number of observed appearance events, observing 15 events compared to an Asimov A expectation of 7. Unlike in our previous analysis, an excess is not observed in the neutrino mode one ring e -like sample, rather in this analysis we see a deficit in the number of observed events in neutrino mode one ring μ -like sample, observing 240 against an Asimov A expectation of 268.

The value of δ_{CP} favoured by the joint fit analysis, when the reactor constraint is applied, is -1.833 and corresponds to normal hierarchy. If the reactor constraint is not applied, the best-fit value of δ_{CP} is -2.083 and $\delta_{CP} = 0$ is still excluded at 2σ CL.

When considering the constant $\Delta\chi^2$ method, we see that the constraint on δ_{CP} is stronger than expected. To investigate the source of this difference a number of fits were

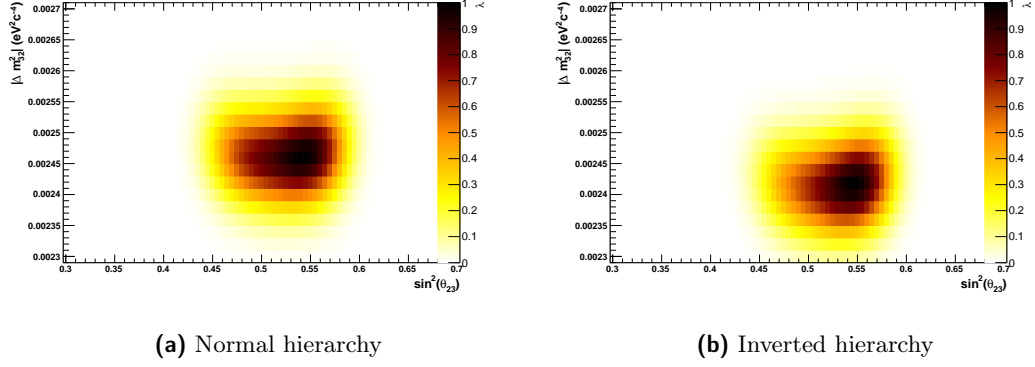


Figure 5.37: Likelihood surfaces for throws of the disappearance parameter, obtained from an Asimov fit using the best-fit values from data.

undertaken using hybrids of data and MC. In particular fig. 5.39 shows the expected sensitivity from the Asimov A data set (dashed), the data fit (solid black) and then a number of additional fits where one of the data samples was replaced by the corresponding Asimov A sample (e.g. Data x1Rmu indicates a fit of 4 data samples, with the one-ring μ -like sample being replaced by the Asimov A prediction). From this one can see that the largest contribution to the stronger constraint comes from the upward fluctuation observed in the ν_e CC1 π^+ sample, but contributions are also evident from the FHC one-ring μ -like sample, where a deficit in events is seen, and from the two one-ring e -like samples. This results in the exclusion of CP-conservation at more than 2σ with the reactor constraint applied and the inverted hierarchy is disfavoured at 90%CL. The effect is also apparent in the appearance contour.

A stronger than expected constraint is also evident in the disappearance contour, with greater exclusion in $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$. Similarly to the δ_{CP} hybrid fits above, fig. 5.40 shows the expected sensitivity from the Asimov A data set (red), the data fit (black) and then a number of additional fits where one of the data samples was replaced by the corresponding Asimov A sample. From this one can see that the stronger constraint can be explained by the deficit in the observed number of events in the one-ring μ -like sample.

The value of $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$ favoured by the analysis is 0.0277 and corresponds to normal hierarchy, with the 1D contours in agreement with the PDG 2016 reactor constraint (0.0219 ± 0.0012) at $\sim 1.2\sigma$ (see table 5.16).

The value of $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ favoured by the analysis is 0.530 (0.510) with (without) the reactor constraint and corresponds to normal hierarchy, with the 1D contours in agreement with and without the reactor constraint at 1σ , favouring maximal mixing as seen in our previous analyses.

The value of Δm_{32}^2 favoured by the analysis is $2.462 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2/c^4$ ($2.466 \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2/c^4$)

with (without) the reactor constraint and corresponds to normal hierarchy, with the 1D contours in agreement with and without the reactor constraint at 1σ .

5.7.9 Comparison of δ_{CP} versus mass hierarchy result with sensitivity

In order to provide a better understanding of the results of the Run 1-8 data fit, the result has been compared with the expected sensitivity obtained from a large number (1×10^4) of toy experiments for different true values of δ_{CP} ($\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2, -1.833$) and the mass hierarchy.

5.7.9.1 Expected sensitivity method

This section outlines the procedure to produce the expected sensitivity comparison plots. The example given is for true normal hierarchy and $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$.

- 1×10^4 fake data sets are generated following the Feldman-Cousins method for a true value of δ_{CP} and mass hierarchy, in this case $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$ and normal hierarchy.
- A χ^2 distribution is computed with respect to the marginalisation toys as a function of δ_{CP} and mass hierarchy.
- For each fake data set, the minimum value of χ^2 for each bin of δ_{CP} , $\chi_{bin,min}^2$ is found with respect to both normal and inverted hierarchy.
- The test statistic is then computed as $\Delta\chi_{bin}^2 = \chi_{bin}^2 - \chi_{bin,min}^2$, which is slightly different to the Feldman-Cousins method, where $\Delta\chi_{FC}^2 = \chi_{true}^2 - \chi_{best-fit}^2$. The distributions of $\Delta\chi_{bin}^2$ and $\Delta\chi_{FC}^2$ coincide if the bin is $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$ and normal hierarchy, i.e. the true point used to generate the toy experiments.
- This results in a $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution from which we can draw conclusions about the expected $\Delta\chi^2$ for each value of δ_{CP} given a hypothesised true value and hierarchy.
- The spread of the $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution for each point of δ_{CP} and mass hierarchy is obtained as the range of the $\Delta\chi_{bin}^2$ distribution that contains respectively the 68.27% and 95.45% of the toy experiments on its left side. The test statistic $\Delta\chi_{bin}^2$ is assumed to be 1-sided because by construction $\chi_{bin,min}^2 \leq \chi_{bin}^2$.
- An alternative to the one-sided distribution is also produced, for which values of $\Delta\chi^2$ of each bin of δ_{CP} are themselves binned (100 evenly-spaced bins on the

range $[\Delta\chi^2_{bin,min}, \Delta\chi^2_{bin,max}]$) and then toys are added to the expected sensitivity bands starting from the bin of $\Delta\chi^2$ that contains the most toys, until 68.27% and 95.45% of the toy experiments have been included, thereby producing two-sided distributions.

- A plot is also produced, fig. 5.41(c) to show the fraction of toy experiments which exclude each value of δ_{CP} to greater than 2σ significance in the Feldman-Cousins corrected critical values along with the probabilities to exclude $\delta_{CP} = 0$ and $\delta_{CP} = \pi$ for a given true value of δ_{CP} .

5.7.9.2 $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$ - normal hierarchy

In fig. 5.41 the Run 1-8 data result for δ_{CP} versus mass hierarchy is compared to the 1σ and 2σ uncertainties on the $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions corresponding to $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$ and (a) normal hierarchy and (b) inverted hierarchy. We see that the data contour is contained within the 2σ band for inverted hierarchy, whilst the data contour falls just outside the 2σ band for normal hierarchy in the region around $\delta_{CP} = 0$. This suggests that the data constraint is consistent with the PMNS matrix at around the 2σ level.

We also see an interesting feature near $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$ where the $\Delta\chi^2$ values have a wider distribution. This is due to the boundary at $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$ which causes a wider distribution when the parameter δ_{CP} would like to be pushed beyond the boundary in the fit.

Finally from fig. 5.41(c) we see that $\delta_{CP} = 0$ and $\delta_{CP} = \pi$ are excluded at 90% confidence level in around 40% (see table 5.18) of the toy experiments and excluded at 2σ confidence level in between 25% and 30% of the toy experiments, with $\delta_{CP} = \pi$ excluded in slightly fewer toy experiments in each case.

δ_{CP}	Hierarchy	90%	2σ
0	NH	0.430	0.300
π	NH	0.383	0.250
0	IH	0.760	0.656
π	IH	0.769	0.667

Table 5.18: The fraction of toy experiments for which $\delta_{CP} = 0, \pi$ and normal and inverted hierarchy are excluded at 90% and 2σ CL is shown. 10k toy experiments are used.

5.7.9.3 $\delta_{CP} = -1.833$ - normal hierarchy

In fig. 5.42 the Run 1-8 data result for δ_{CP} versus mass hierarchy is compared to the 1σ and 2σ uncertainties on the $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions corresponding to $\delta_{CP} = -1.833$ and (a)

normal hierarchy and (b) inverted hierarchy. We see that the data contour is consistent with the PMNS matrix at around the 2σ level.

5.7.9.4 Sample-by-sample expected sensitivity

An extension to the two-sided method described above was applied in order to assess the effect of each sample on the δ_{CP} contour obtained. There key difference to the two-sided method described in section 5.7.9.1 is that the generation of the 1×10^4 fake data sets is undertaken for a single sample of interest, with the remaining 4 samples being fixed at the observed spectra.

It can be seen from fig. 5.43 that for normal hierarchy the observed contour resides within the 1σ band of expected sensitivities for 4 of the samples and thus while three of these contours are contributing to a stronger constraint than expected, the additional strength of the constraint in these samples is by no means surprising.

The contribution from the ν_e CC1 π^+ sample is rather extreme, as might be expected given the excess events observed in this sample, with the observed contour falling outside the 2σ band of expected sensitivities for this sample. Nonetheless, with all 5 samples considered together, as in fig. 5.41(a), the observed constraint resides approximately within the 2σ expected sensitivity.

For the case of inverted hierarchy (fig. 5.44) a similar scenario is observed, the principal difference being that the FHC one-ring μ -like sample has an observed contour contained within the 2σ band of expected sensitivities, though the full 5 sample contour remains within the 2σ expected sensitivity (fig. 5.41).

5.7.10 Comparison of $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ versus mass hierarchy result with sensitivity

This section provides a comparison of the Run 1-8 data fit with the expected sensitivity for $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$.

The procedure used is the one outlined in section 5.7.9.1 for the two-sided distribution, with the appropriate change in oscillation parameter. Furthermore, whereas the expected sensitivity method for δ_{CP} throws the atmospheric parameters from a 2D likelihood distribution from on an Asimov fake data set, whose oscillation parameter values are those from the disappearance data fit, in this case the Δm_{32}^2 parameter is thrown from the 1D projection of this likelihood distribution.

5.7.10.1 $\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.530$ - normal hierarchy

In fig. 5.45 the Run 1-8 data result for $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ versus mass hierarchy is compared to the 1σ and 2σ uncertainties on the $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions corresponding to $\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.530$ for (a) normal hierarchy and (b) inverted hierarchy.

5.7.11 Comparison of Δm_{32}^2 versus mass hierarchy result with sensitivity

This section provides a comparison of the Run 1-8 data fit with the expected sensitivity for Δm_{32}^2 .

The procedure used is the one outlined in section 5.7.9.1 for the two-sided distribution, with the appropriate change in oscillation parameter. Furthermore, whereas the expected sensitivity method for δ_{CP} throws the atmospheric parameters from a 2D likelihood distribution from on an Asimov fake data set, whose oscillation parameter values are those from the disappearance data fit, in this case the $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ parameter is thrown from the 1D projection of this likelihood distribution.

5.7.11.1 $\Delta m_{32}^2 = -2.462 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2 \text{ c}^{-4}$ - normal hierarchy

In fig. 5.46 the Run 1-8 data result for Δm_{32}^2 versus mass hierarchy is compared to the 1σ and 2σ uncertainties on the $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions corresponding to $\Delta m_{32}^2 = -2.462 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2 \text{ c}^{-4}$ for (a) normal hierarchy and (b) inverted hierarchy.

5.7.12 Comparison of e -like event rates with expectation

It is valuable to see how different values of δ_{CP} , $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ and hierarchy affect the predicted event rates. Figure 5.47 shows the predicted $\bar{\nu}_e$ event rate vs ν_e event rate for best-fit values of oscillation parameters where δ_{CP} is varied between CP conserving and maximally CP violating values, and $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ is varied around its best-fit, for both hierarchies. Event rates for a given value of $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ and mass hierarchy are linearly interpolated between those computed for 9 evenly-spaced values of δ_{CP} from $-\pi$ to $+\pi$ to indicate the behaviour produced by varying δ_{CP} . The observed event rates with 1σ errors are also shown. Figure 5.47(a) shows e -like event rates where the FHC sample includes the ν_e CC $1\pi^+$ sample, while fig. 5.47(b) shows e -like event rates where the FHC sample does not include the ν_e CC $1\pi^+$ sample.

5.8 Summary

The results of the 3-flavour $\bar{\nu}/\nu$ joint analysis performed by the *VALOR* group, on the combined Run 1-8 data set. The goal of the analysis was to search for CP violation in the leptonic sector and determine limits on δ_{CP} as well as measure all the other oscillation parameters to which T2K is sensitive: $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$, $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$, Δm_{32}^2 (Δm_{13}^2) and partially mass hierarchy, to which T2K has little sensitivity.

This analysis predicts 268.4 ± 11.8 (syst) for neutrino μ -like, 64.3 ± 2.4 (syst) for antineutrino μ -like, 73.5 ± 5.3 (syst) for neutrino e -like, 7.9 ± 0.6 (syst) for antineutrino e -like and 6.9 ± 1.5 (syst) for neutrino ν_e CC1 π^+ events in Super K and observes respectively 240 for neutrino μ -like, 68 for antineutrino μ -like, 74 for neutrino e -like, 7 for antineutrino e -like and 15 for neutrino ν_e CC1 π^+ .

The $\bar{\nu}/\nu$ analysis was performed in a framework of 3-flavour oscillations including matter effects in constant-density matter. The observed reconstructed energy spectrum of single μ -like ring events and reconstructed energy versus lepton angle of single e -like ring events in addition to e -like events with an additional decay electron were used to compute the confidence intervals. All 110 systematic parameters as well as the oscillation parameters which were not parameters of interest considered in this analysis were marginalised.

From the fit of the Run 1-8 data using the reactor constraint we can see that the favoured value of δ_{CP} is -1.833, close to $-\pi/2$. The Feldman-Cousins method is used to construct confidence intervals with neither over or under coverage from which the significance to exclude the hypothesis of CP conservation is greater than 2 standard deviations.

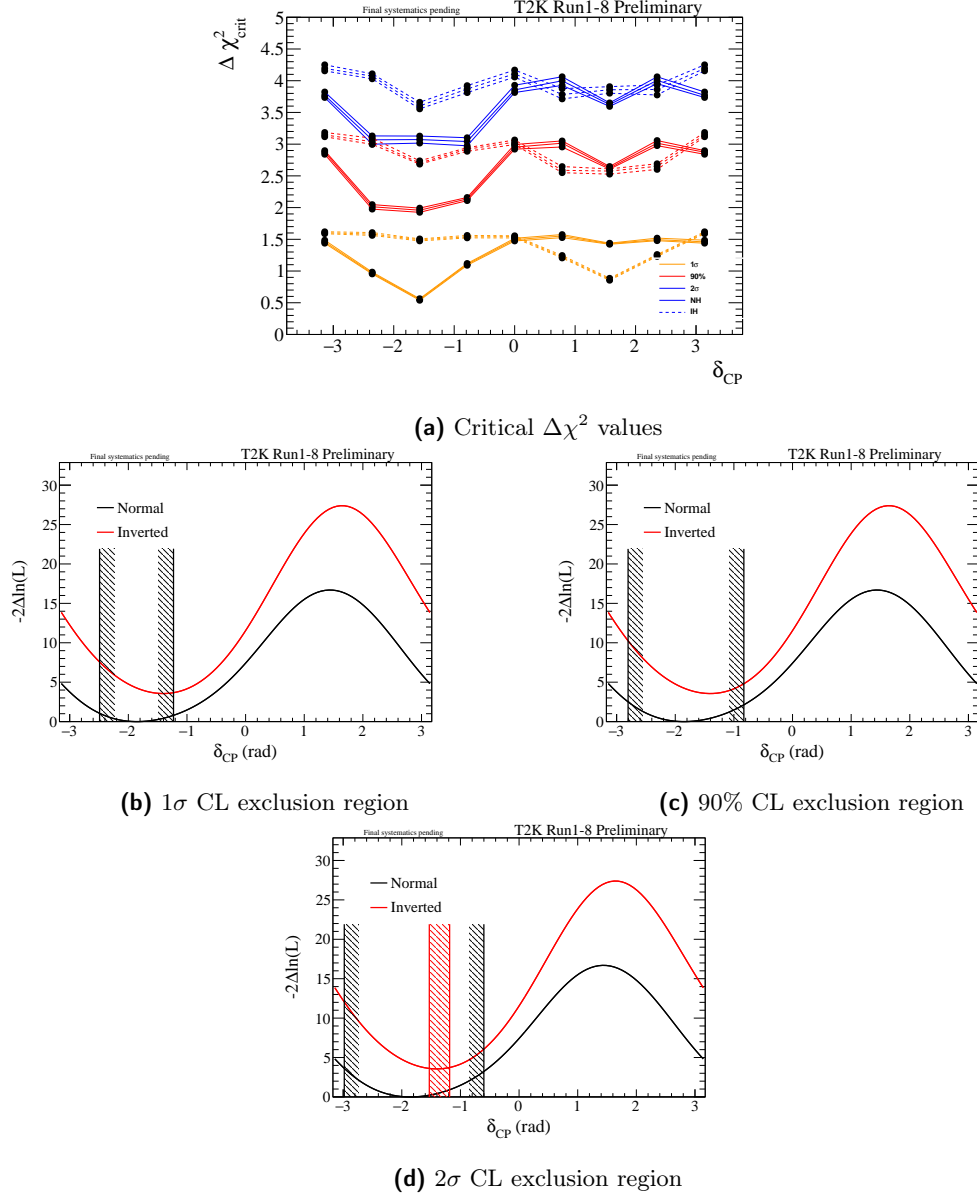


Figure 5.38: $\Delta\chi^2$ critical values and confidence intervals for the measured $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions for Run 1-8. Critical values obtained with the Feldman-Cousins method for Run 1-8 for 9 evenly spaced values on the range $[-\pi, \pi]$. Critical values are shown for 1σ , 2σ and 90% CL for normal (solid lines) and inverted (dashed lines) hierarchies. At least 1×10^4 toy experiments are performed for each point. The three bands of lines show the $\pm 1\sigma$ uncertainty on the critical values. Also shown are the measured $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions shifted with respect to the same global minimum and the 1σ , 90% and 2σ exclusion regions for both mass hierarchies.

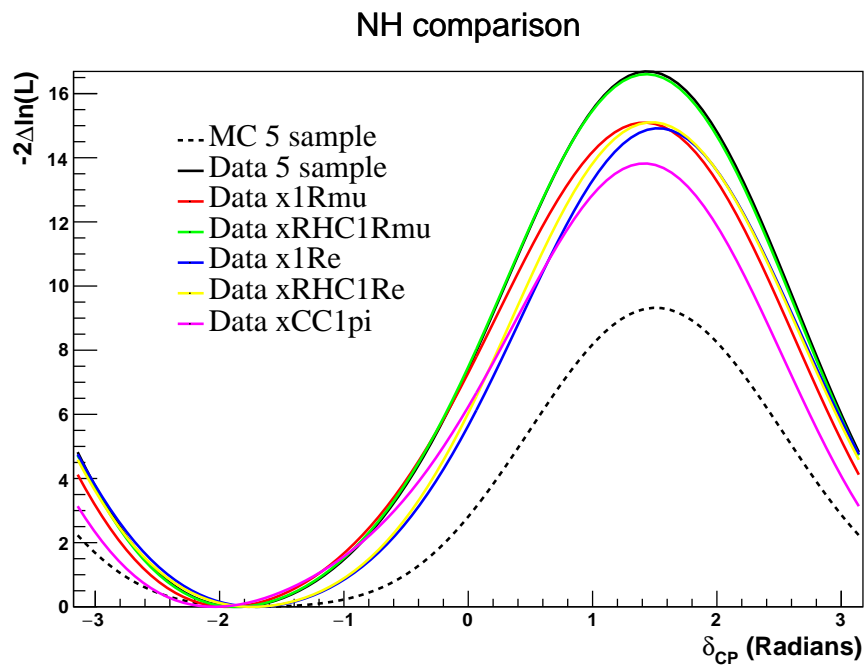


Figure 5.39: The expected $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution as a function of δ_{CP} with reactor constraint for MC, data and data/MC hybrid data sets.

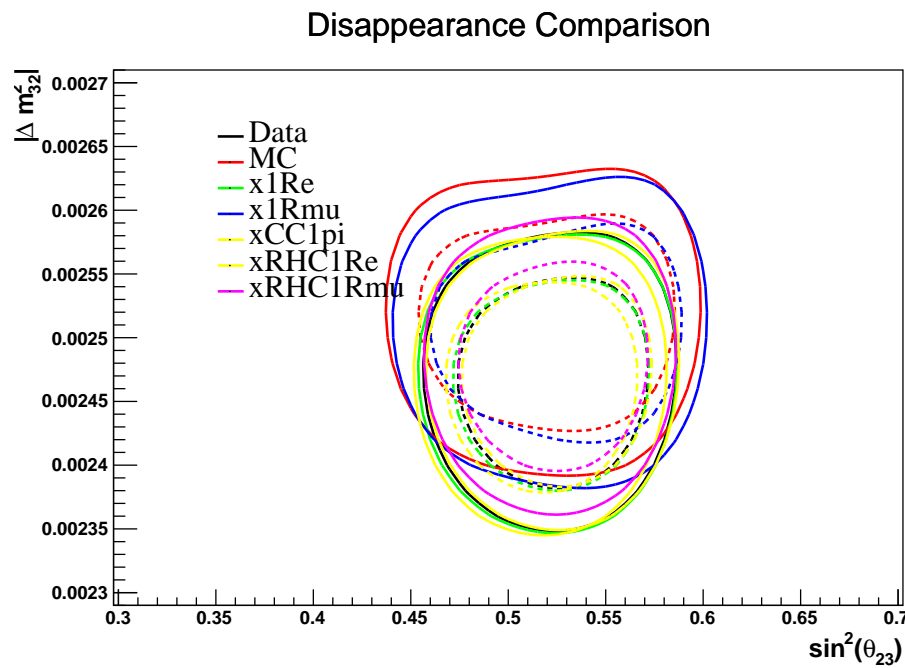


Figure 5.40: The expected disappearance contours with reactor constraint for normal hierarchy for MC, data and data/MC hybrid data sets.

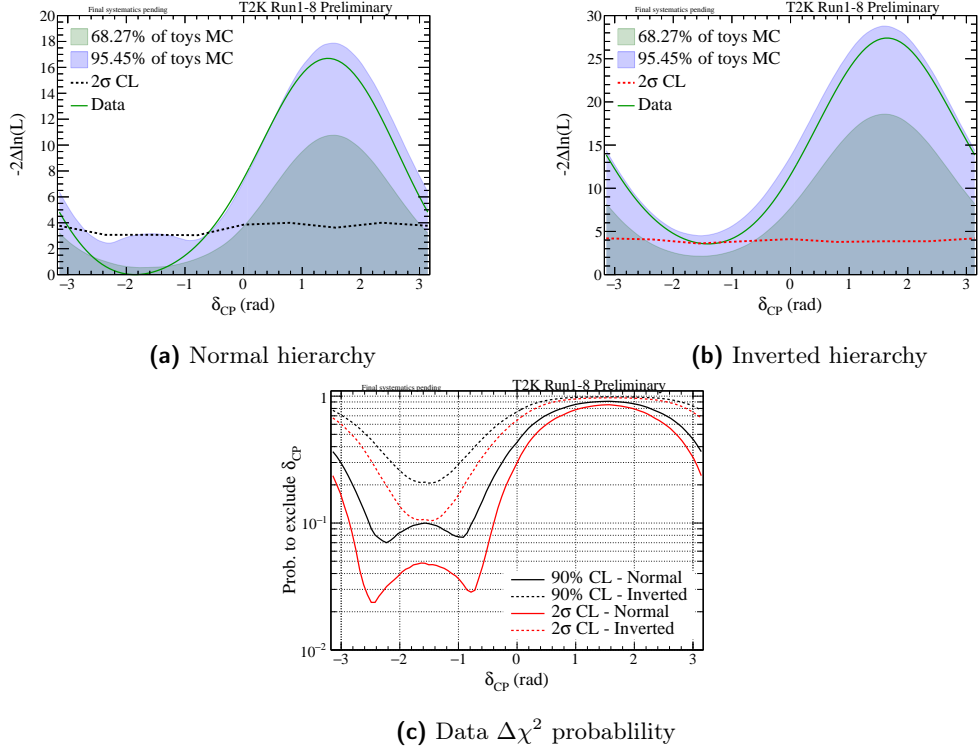


Figure 5.41: The distribution of $\Delta\chi^2$ vs δ_{CP} obtained with 1×10^4 toy experiments generated with $\delta_{CP} = -\pi/2$ and normal hierarchy is shown. The $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions obtained by fixing the mass hierarchy to normal (left) and inverted (right) are shown, along with the $\Delta\chi^2$ values corresponding to 68.27% and 95.45% of the toy experiments and the average $\Delta\chi^2$ values from all experiments. Also shown are the fractions of toys which exclude each value of δ_{CP} to 90% and 2σ using the Feldman-Cousins corrected critical values (bottom).

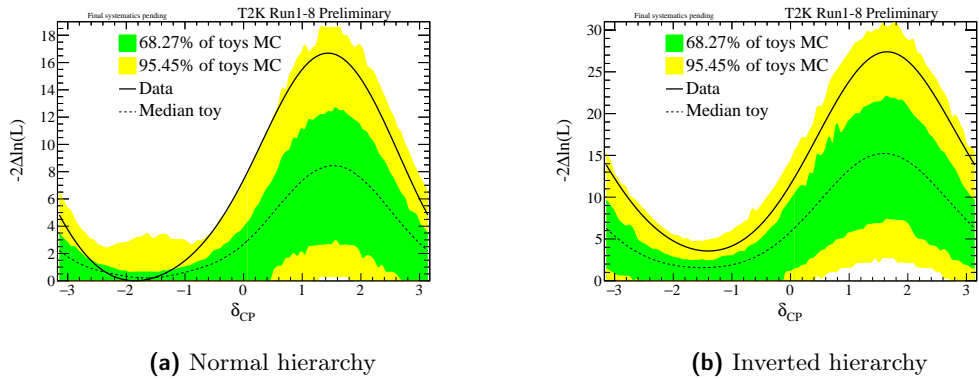


Figure 5.42: The distribution of $\Delta\chi^2$ vs δ_{CP} obtained with 1×10^4 toy experiments generated with $\delta_{CP} = -1,833$ and normal hierarchy is shown. The $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions obtained by fixing the mass hierarchy to normal (left) and inverted (right) are shown, along with the $\Delta\chi^2$ values corresponding to 68.27% and 95.45% of the toy experiments, the median toy and the data contour.

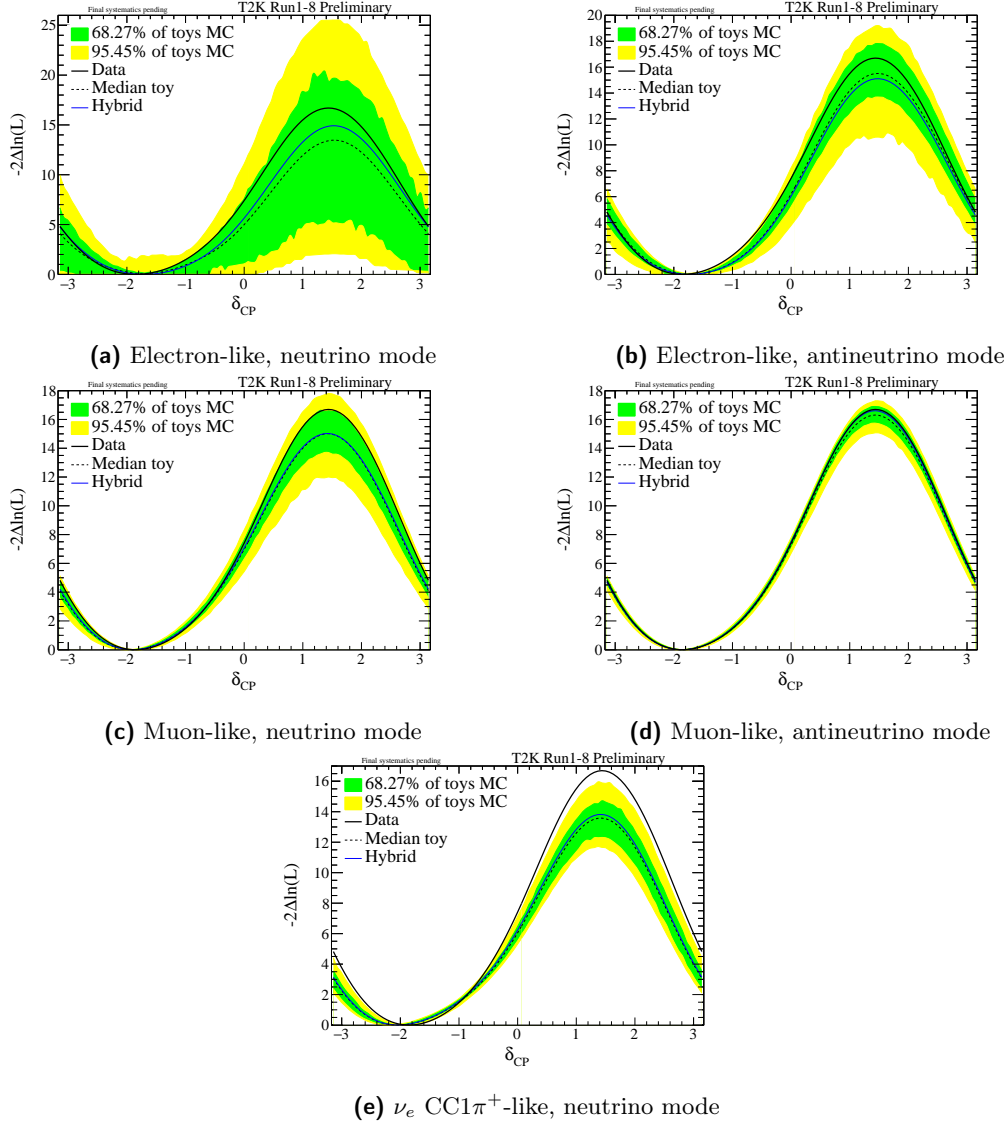


Figure 5.43: The distribution of $\Delta\chi^2$ vs δ_{CP} obtained with 1×10^4 toy experiments generated with $\delta_{CP} = -1.833$ and normal hierarchy is shown. The $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution obtained from the full 5-sample fit, obtained by fixing the mass hierarchy to normal, is shown, along with the $\Delta\chi^2$ values corresponding to 68.27% and 95.45% of the toy experiments for the indicated sample, with all other samples fixed at their observed spectra.

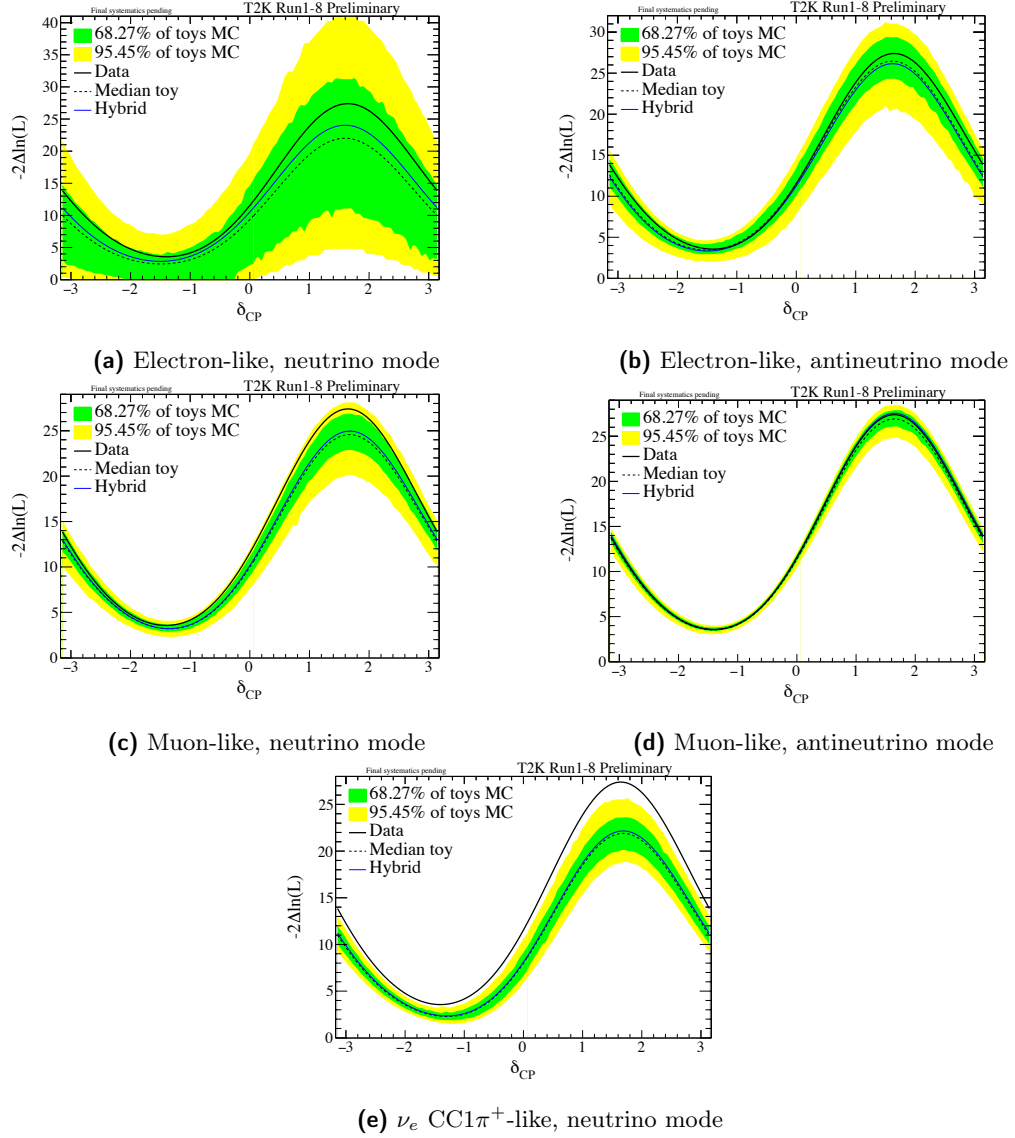


Figure 5.44: The distribution of $\Delta\chi^2$ vs δ_{CP} obtained with 1×10^4 toy experiments generated with $\delta_{CP} = -1.833$ and normal hierarchy is shown. The $\Delta\chi^2$ distribution obtained from the full 5-sample fit, obtained by fixing the mass hierarchy to inverted, is shown, along with the $\Delta\chi^2$ values corresponding to 68.27% and 95.45% of the toy experiments for the indicated sample, with all other samples fixed at their observed spectra.

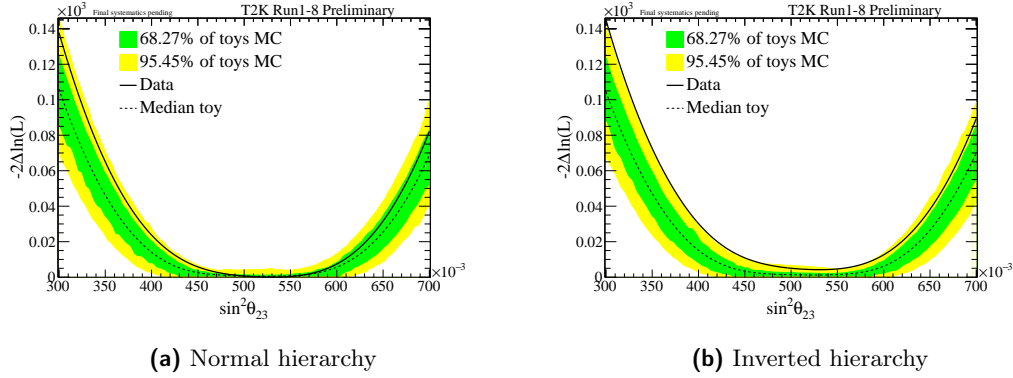


Figure 5.45: The distribution of $\Delta\chi^2$ vs $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ obtained with 1×10^4 toy experiments generated with $\sin^2 \theta_{23} = 0.530$ and normal hierarchy is shown. The $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions obtained by fixing the mass hierarchy to normal (left) and inverted (right) are shown, along with the $\Delta\chi^2$ values corresponding to 68.27% and 95.45% of the toy experiments, the median toy and the data contour.

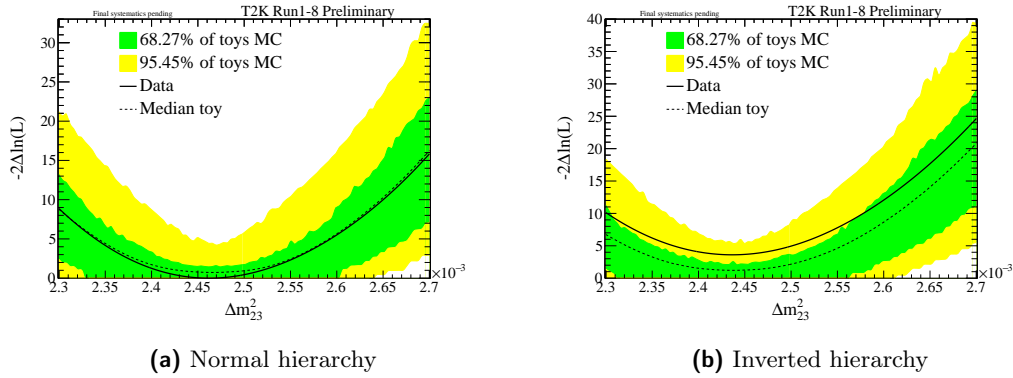


Figure 5.46: The distribution of $\Delta\chi^2$ vs Δm_{32}^2 obtained with 1×10^4 toy experiments generated with $\Delta m_{32}^2 = -2.462 \times 10^{-3} \text{eV}^2 \text{c}^{-4}$ and normal hierarchy is shown. The $\Delta\chi^2$ distributions obtained by fixing the mass hierarchy to normal (left) and inverted (right) are shown, along with the $\Delta\chi^2$ values corresponding to 68.27% and 95.45% of the toy experiments, the median toy and the data contour.

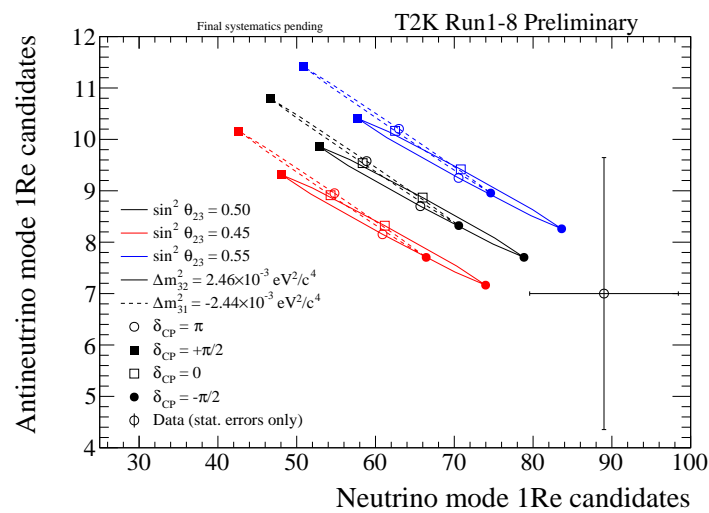


Figure 5.47: This plot shows the candidate RHC one-ring e -like event rate vs the candidate FHC one-ring e -like event rate for a variety of different oscillation parameter values. Predictions are generated for best-fit values of oscillation parameters for different values of δ_{CP} , $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ and mass hierarchy. In particular the FHC and RHC event rates are plotted for the CP conserving and maximally CP violating values of δ_{CP} , with $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ set at the best-fit value and $\pm 1\sigma$ values in both normal and inverted hierarchy. The observed rates with statistical error shown are also included.

6 Conclusions and Outlook

A joint analysis of the transitions $\bar{\nu}_\mu \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_\mu^{(-)}$ and $\bar{\nu}_e \rightarrow \bar{\nu}_e^{(-)}$ was performed assuming PMNS neutrino oscillations in constant density matter. The analysis used data from the T2K experiment Run 1-8 with 1.4734×10^{21} POT in FHC mode and 7.558×10^{20} POT in RHC mode. Fits were made to reconstructed neutrino energy for μ -like events and energy and lepton angle for e -like events with separate fits for the normal and inverted hierarchies. The results of collaboration's analysis in are presented in [208]. The 110 systematic parameters are marginalised to construct a marginal likelihood from which the oscillation parameters of interest are extracted. The exclusion of the \mathcal{CP} conserving values 0 and π , determined using the Feldman-Cousins method and using available measurements, $[\sigma]$ range, of $\sin^2 \theta_{13} = 0.0215 [0.0190-0.0240]$ ($0.0216 [0.0190-0.0242]$), determined by reactor experiments

$$\begin{aligned} & [-2.805, -0.830] \quad 90\% \text{CL} \\ & [-2.981, -0.600] \quad ([-1.531, -1.184]) \quad 2\sigma. \end{aligned}$$

for normal (inverted) hierarchies. The oscillation parameters measured in this analysis, with the confidence intervals for δ_{CP} extracted using the constant $\Delta\chi^2$ method and T2K data only were

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{\text{CP}} &= -2.083^{+0.932}_{-0.889} \quad (-1.157^{+0.754}_{-0.808}) \\ \sin^2 \theta_{13} &= 0.0277^{+0.0053}_{-0.0047} \quad (0.0331^{+0.0047}_{-0.0065}) \\ \sin^2 \theta_{23} &= 0.530^{+0.031}_{-0.037} \quad (0.530^{+0.029}_{-0.034}) \\ |\Delta m_{32}^2|(\Delta m_{13}^2) &= [2.462^{+0.057}_{-0.055} \quad (2.436^{+0.055}_{-0.053})] \times 10^{-3} \text{ eV}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Addition of Gd, to tag neutrons at the level of 90 % with 0.2 % Gd by mass to the water detection medium at Super-K has been approved, and upgrades to the detector are underway. Improvements by tagging neutrons in the final state are under study, with 78 % of $\nu/\bar{\nu}$ correctly identified, in the T2K beam energy range [209]. Separation of the NC and CC components of e -like interactions at Super-K via neutron multiplicity allows for the correct classification of 80 % of true NC and DIS interactions, this region contains information to determine the mass hierarchy. Neutrons that are produced as a result of FSI from neutral hadrons in the nuclear medium can be used to correct for the neutrino energy that is not seen by the Super-K detector. Sensitivity studies using the General Long Baseline Experiment Simulator (GLOBES) package [210] have been performed, considering only statistical uncertainty for an exposure of 3.9×10^{21} POT, and show an increase in sensitivity with the inclusion of neutron tagging.

T2K will continue to collect beam data for appearance and disappearance in neutrino and

antineutrino modes towards an approved 7.8×10^{21} POT and a potential 20×10^{21} POT for T2K-II with a potential constraint on the value of δ_{CP} at 3σ and a 1σ precision on the value of $\sin^2 \theta_{23}$ of 1.7° and Δm_{32}^2 at the 1% level assuming equal running in ν and $\bar{\nu}$ modes [211]. A joint analysis of T2K and NO ν A data is approved in principle, with discussions underway by the two collaborations on understanding commonalities in the analyses and using common interaction modelling. The future Hyper-Kamiokande (Hyper-K) experiment [212] will use the experience from the T2K experiment to resolve the still open questions of the phase of δ_{CP} and the neutrino mass hierarchy. In order to achieve these goals it will use the same water Cherenkov technology with a single tank containing 258 kt of water (in one possible scenario), with the same 295 km baseline and 0.6 GeV beam peak energy as T2K [213]. The future DUNE experiment also seeks to address these questions as part of its physics goals but is designed with a 1300 km baseline for the far detector and 575 m for the near detector both using liquid Argon TPCs technology. The far detector will have a fiducial mass of 40 kt and the experiment will operate with a high intensity (reaching 2.4 MW) [214] wide-band beam with flux in the region 1–4 GeV [215].

Appendix A

Event rates

Tables table A.1-table A.5 present unoscillated rates.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	953.15505	0.00429	23.18824	0.00020	0.00000	0.00000	976.34778
CC1pi	76.40088	0.00211	4.12922	0.00010	0.00000	0.00000	80.53230
CCcoherent	0.75678	0.00000	0.17387	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	0.93065
2p2h	134.02475	0.00161	2.51636	0.00008	0.00000	0.00000	136.54280
CCother	6.94520	0.00090	0.50167	0.00008	0.00000	0.00000	7.44785
NC1pi0	0.61495	0.01841	0.02120	0.00143	N/A	N/A	0.65599
NC1piPM	4.90783	0.09799	0.17531	0.00975	N/A	N/A	5.19089
NCcoherent	0.00000	0.00000	0.00043	0.00003	N/A	N/A	0.00047
NCoher	2.05619	0.07378	0.13055	0.00912	N/A	N/A	2.26963
Total	1178.86162	0.19909	30.83686	0.02080	0.00000	0.00000	1209.91837

Table A.1: Predicted number of events in the neutrino mode μ -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. Oscillations are not applied.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	36.21445	0.00089	133.92633	0.00096	0.00000	0.00000	170.14262
CC1pi	6.51012	0.00035	11.57229	0.00027	0.00000	0.00000	18.08303
CCcoherent	0.06956	0.00000	0.75838	0.00005	0.00000	0.00000	0.82799
2p2h	8.28538	0.00028	10.73613	0.00028	0.00000	0.00000	19.02208
CCother	1.18677	0.00012	0.77049	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	1.95738
NC1pi0	0.06000	0.00222	0.06147	0.00169	N/A	N/A	0.12538
NC1piPM	0.35950	0.01527	0.46009	0.01235	N/A	N/A	0.84721
NCcoherent	0.00000	0.00000	0.00201	0.00000	N/A	N/A	0.00201
NCoher	0.31580	0.01640	0.20064	0.00789	N/A	N/A	0.54073
Total	53.00159	0.03552	158.48783	0.02349	0.00000	0.00000	211.54843

Table A.2: Predicted number of events in the antineutrino mode μ -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 7.558×10^{20} POT. Oscillations are not applied.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	0.99622	6.79206	0.02082	0.27180	0.00000	0.00000	8.08090
CC1pi	0.18090	0.99514	0.00514	0.07082	0.00000	0.00000	1.25199
CCcoherent	0.00076	0.00885	0.00031	0.00419	0.00000	0.00000	0.01412
2p2h	0.13667	1.71219	0.00236	0.04511	0.00000	0.00000	1.89633
CCother	0.02827	0.13255	0.00057	0.00971	0.00000	0.00000	0.17111
NC1pi0	1.70203	0.03706	0.06012	0.00356	N/A	N/A	1.80278
NC1piPM	0.16854	0.00472	0.01020	0.00057	N/A	N/A	0.18404
NCcoherent	0.52817	0.00715	0.04794	0.00294	N/A	N/A	0.58619
NCother	0.31767	0.01695	0.02120	0.00128	N/A	N/A	0.35711
NC1gamma	0.94222	0.01687	0.04983	0.00233	N/A	N/A	1.01125
Total	5.00145	9.72355	0.21850	0.41231	0.00000	0.00000	15.35581

Table A.3: Predicted number of events in the neutrino mode e -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. Oscillations are not applied.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	0.04096	0.54758	0.13906	0.90195	0.00000	0.00000	1.62955
CC1pi	0.01660	0.10715	0.01787	0.15254	0.00000	0.00000	0.29415
CCcoherent	0.00006	0.00105	0.00143	0.01133	0.00000	0.00000	0.01388
2p2h	0.00652	0.15324	0.00694	0.11994	0.00000	0.00000	0.28664
CCother	0.00568	0.02184	0.00232	0.01193	0.00000	0.00000	0.04177
NC1pi0	0.13849	0.00541	0.17659	0.00468	N/A	N/A	0.32516
NC1piPM	0.02475	0.00127	0.02001	0.00080	N/A	N/A	0.04683
NCcoherent	0.04776	0.00221	0.20260	0.00317	N/A	N/A	0.25574
NCother	0.05664	0.00221	0.02672	0.00097	N/A	N/A	0.08654
NC1gamma	0.07943	0.00439	0.17490	0.00383	N/A	N/A	0.26255
Total	0.41688	0.84635	0.76842	1.21115	0.00000	0.00000	3.24280

Table A.4: Predicted number of events in the antineutrino mode e -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 7.558×10^{20} POT. Oscillations are not applied.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	0.34542	0.02646	0.00615	0.00187	0.00000	0.00000	0.37990
CC1pi	0.54696	0.82041	0.00710	0.00403	0.00000	0.00000	1.37850
CCcoherent	0.00364	0.01905	0.00021	0.00008	0.00000	0.00000	0.02298
2p2h	0.08323	0.02355	0.00176	0.00100	0.00000	0.00000	0.10953
CCother	0.17904	0.11704	0.00287	0.00289	0.00000	0.00000	0.30184
NC1pi0	0.02049	0.00076	0.00083	0.00008	N/A	N/A	0.02216
NC1piPM	0.06474	0.00165	0.00382	0.00033	N/A	N/A	0.07053
NCoher	0.20584	0.00830	0.01304	0.00088	N/A	N/A	0.22807
NC1gamma	0.02844	0.00000	0.00067	0.00007	N/A	N/A	0.02918
Total	1.47780	1.01722	0.03645	0.01122	0.00000	0.00000	2.54269

Table A.5: Predicted number of events in the neutrino mode e -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. Oscillations are not applied.

Tables table A.6-table A.10 present oscillated rates corresponding to the Asimov B data set.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	186.41514	0.00413	11.15862	0.00019	0.01514	0.00018	197.59340
CC1pi	28.20533	0.00199	2.62809	0.00009	0.01651	0.00009	30.85209
CCcoherent	0.29385	0.00000	0.09293	0.00000	0.00000	0.00001	0.38678
2p2h	36.71916	0.00151	1.42161	0.00008	0.01693	0.00005	38.15934
CCother	5.47728	0.00086	0.40680	0.00008	0.00011	0.00001	5.88513
NC1pi0	0.61495	0.01841	0.02120	0.00143	N/A	N/A	0.65599
NC1piPM	4.90783	0.09799	0.17531	0.00975	N/A	N/A	5.19089
NCcoherent	0.00000	0.00000	0.00043	0.00003	N/A	N/A	0.00047
NCoher	2.05619	0.07378	0.13055	0.00912	N/A	N/A	2.26963
Total	264.68973	0.19867	16.03554	0.02078	0.04868	0.00032	280.99373

Table A.6: Predicted number of events in the neutrino mode μ -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. The Asimov data set B in 5.1 is used.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	15.53910	0.00085	31.15342	0.00093	0.00068	0.00181	46.69679
CC1pi	3.97662	0.00033	4.60026	0.00025	0.00043	0.00073	8.57862
CCcoherent	0.04724	0.00000	0.18223	0.00005	0.00000	0.00007	0.22959
2p2h	4.50940	0.00026	2.92853	0.00027	0.00030	0.00025	7.43900
CCother	0.94370	0.00012	0.60700	0.00000	0.00000	0.00000	1.55082
NC1pi0	0.06000	0.00222	0.06147	0.00169	N/A	N/A	0.12538
NC1piPM	0.35950	0.01527	0.46009	0.01235	N/A	N/A	0.84721
NCcoherent	0.00000	0.00000	0.00201	0.00000	N/A	N/A	0.00201
NCother	0.31580	0.01640	0.20064	0.00789	N/A	N/A	0.54073
Total	25.75135	0.03544	40.19565	0.02342	0.00142	0.00286	66.01015

Table A.7: Predicted number of events in the antineutrino mode μ -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 7.558×10^{20} POT. The Asimov data set B in 5.1 is used.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	0.17174	6.30178	0.00647	0.25566	31.20630	0.33860	38.28056
CC1pi	0.04847	0.93168	0.00282	0.06750	3.28336	0.05561	4.38943
CCcoherent	0.00012	0.00830	0.00018	0.00397	0.02515	0.00382	0.04154
2p2h	0.03143	1.59694	0.00118	0.04275	6.08289	0.04642	7.80162
CCother	0.01346	0.12803	0.00034	0.00942	0.07482	0.00374	0.22981
NC1pi0	1.70203	0.03706	0.06012	0.00356	N/A	N/A	1.80278
NC1piPM	0.16854	0.00472	0.01020	0.00057	N/A	N/A	0.18404
NCcoherent	0.52817	0.00715	0.04794	0.00294	N/A	N/A	0.58619
NCother	0.31767	0.01695	0.02120	0.00128	N/A	N/A	0.35711
NC1gamma	0.94222	0.01687	0.04983	0.00233	N/A	N/A	1.01125
Total	3.92386	9.04948	0.20030	0.38998	40.67252	0.44819	54.68432

Table A.8: Predicted number of events in the neutrino mode e -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. The Asimov data set B in 5.1 is used.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	0.01318	0.50911	0.02513	0.84721	0.72476	3.38779	5.50718
CC1pi	0.00771	0.10111	0.00742	0.14431	0.11344	0.39683	0.77081
CCcoherent	0.00002	0.00099	0.00043	0.01066	0.00090	0.03680	0.04981
2p2h	0.00298	0.14379	0.00224	0.11301	0.17444	0.39087	0.82733
CCother	0.00392	0.02116	0.00121	0.01154	0.00920	0.00777	0.05480
NC1pi0	0.13849	0.00541	0.17659	0.00468	N/A	N/A	0.32516
NC1piPM	0.02475	0.00127	0.02001	0.00080	N/A	N/A	0.04683
NCcoherent	0.04776	0.00221	0.20260	0.00317	N/A	N/A	0.25574
NCoher	0.05664	0.00221	0.02672	0.00097	N/A	N/A	0.08654
NC1gamma	0.07943	0.00439	0.17490	0.00383	N/A	N/A	0.26255
Total	0.37487	0.79164	0.63724	1.14019	1.02275	4.22006	8.18675

Table A.9: Predicted number of events in the antineutrino mode μ -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 7.558×10^{20} POT. The Asimov data set B in 5.1 is used.

	ν_μ	ν_e	$\bar{\nu}_\mu$	$\bar{\nu}_e$	Osc. ν_e	Osc. $\bar{\nu}_e$	Total
CCQE	0.03298	0.02442	0.00123	0.00174	0.14531	0.00339	0.20908
CC1pi	0.08149	0.76065	0.00261	0.00383	3.47649	0.00267	4.32774
CCcoherent	0.00031	0.01765	0.00008	0.00007	0.07633	0.00013	0.09457
2p2h	0.01100	0.02195	0.00050	0.00095	0.11660	0.00125	0.15225
CCother	0.03947	0.11225	0.00117	0.00279	0.09788	0.00174	0.25531
NC1pi0	0.02049	0.00076	0.00083	0.00008	N/A	N/A	0.02216
NC1piPM	0.06474	0.00165	0.00382	0.00033	N/A	N/A	0.07053
NCoher	0.20584	0.00830	0.01304	0.00088	N/A	N/A	0.22807
NC1gamma	0.02844	0.00000	0.00067	0.00007	N/A	N/A	0.02918
Total	0.48477	0.94764	0.02396	0.01075	3.91261	0.00917	5.38890

Table A.10: Predicted number of events in the neutrino mode e -like sample obtained after applying the BANFF weight for a total exposure of 1.4734×10^{21} POT. The Asimov data set B in 5.1 is used.

Appendix B

Systematic variations

Table B.1 through table B.10 show the effect of systematic variations on the event rates for pre-BANFF and post-BANFF errors.

Parameter	1 σ value	BANFF tuned -3σ	BANFF tuned -1σ	BANFF tuned $+1\sigma$	BANFF tuned $+3\sigma$
All syst		61.9761	143.921	385.63	900.64
BANFF 0, SK numu flux, 0.0 - 0.4 GeV	0.098 732.3	234.448	238.884	243.321	247.757
BANFF 1, SK numu flux, 0.4 - 0.5 GeV	0.103 488	234.367	238.857	243.347	247.837
BANFF 2, SK numu flux, 0.5 - 0.6 GeV	0.096 444	239.435	240.547	241.658	242.77
BANFF 3, SK numu flux, 0.6 - 0.7 GeV	0.086 695.8	239.741	240.648	241.556	242.464
BANFF 4, SK numu flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.113 052	234.426	235.543	246.661	257.779
BANFF 5, SK numu flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.091 747.6	238.616	236.94	245.264	253.588
BANFF 6, SK numu flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.070 174.2	233.261	238.489	243.716	248.944
BANFF 7, SK numu flux, 2.5 - 3.5 GeV	0.073 680.5	237.002	239.735	242.469	245.203
BANFF 8, SK numu flux, 3.5 - 5.0 GeV	0.087 373.3	236.859	239.688	242.517	245.346
BANFF 9, SK numu flux, 5.0 - 7.0 GeV	0.097 936.9	239.83	240.678	241.526	242.374
BANFF 10, SK numu flux, 7.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.114 36	240.982	241.062	241.142	241.222
BANFF 11, SK numubar flux, 0.0 - 0.7 GeV	0.102 576	240.821	241.009	241.196	241.383
BANFF 12, SK numubar flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.078 533.1	240.849	241.018	241.187	241.356
BANFF 13, SK numubar flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.084 453.6	240.163	240.789	241.415	242.042
BANFF 14, SK numubar flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.085 568.3	239.779	240.661	241.543	242.426
BANFF 15, SK numubar flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	0.086 428.4	240.158	240.788	241.417	242.046
BANFF 16, SK nue flux, 0.0 - 0.5 GeV	0.089 698.3	241.101	241.102	241.103	241.103
BANFF 17, SK nue flux, 0.5 - 0.7 GeV	0.089 952	241.1	241.101	241.103	241.105
BANFF 18, SK nue flux, 0.7 - 0.8 GeV	0.085 964.8	241.1	241.102	241.103	241.104
BANFF 19, SK nue flux, 0.8 - 1.5 GeV	0.080 918.2	241.088	241.098	241.107	241.116
BANFF 20, SK nue flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.078 971.9	241.085	241.097	241.108	241.119
BANFF 21, SK nue flux, 2.5 - 4.0 GeV	0.083 85	241.09	241.098	241.106	241.115
BANFF 22, SK nue flux, 4.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.093 894.3	241.096	241.1	241.104	241.109
BANFF 23, SK nuebar flux, 0.0 - 2.5 GeV	0.074 027.9	241.1	241.102	241.103	241.104
BANFF 24, SK nuebar flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	0.128 416	241.097	241.101	241.104	241.107
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h	1	214.649	214.649	267.556	320.463
BANFF; CA5 RES	0.148 515	223.261	234.198	248.963	267.557
BANFF; Norm; BgRES Isospin 1/2	0.307 692	237.768	238.756	244.684	255.552
BANFF; Ma QE	0.025	231.751	238.038	244.113	249.969
BANFF; Ma RES	0.157 895	223.458	235.185	246.811	257.26
BANFF; Fermi Momentum	0.057 777.8	242.226	243.832	238.262	232.278
BANFF; Shape; CC Oth	0.4	238.696	240.292	241.913	243.534
BANFF; Norm, CC Coh	0.3	240.713	240.972	241.232	241.492
BANFF; Norm, NC Coh	0.3	241.102	241.102	241.102	241.103
BANFF; Norm, NC Oth	0.3	239.074	240.426	241.778	243.131
BANFF; Norm, ν_e To ν_μ	0.028 284.3	241.097	241.1	241.104	241.108
BANFF; Norm, $\bar{\nu}_e$ To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.028 284.3	241.102	241.102	241.102	241.102
BANFF; Norm; 2p2hBar	1	239.969	239.969	242.236	244.502
BANFF; BeRPA A	0.118	207.044	229.749	252.455	275.161
BANFF; BeRPA B	0.21	208.023	230.076	252.129	274.182
BANFF; BeRPA D	0.1695	216.789	232.998	249.207	265.416
BANFF; BeRPA E	0.352	240.035	240.672	241.537	242.416
BANFF; Shape; 2p2h	3	242.411	241.756	240.37	239.639
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h C to O	0.2	224.55	235.585	246.62	257.654
SKDet + FSI/SI 0; E_{reco} (0.00 - 0.40) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_\mu$)	0.008 785.93	240.569	240.925	241.28	241.635
SKDet + FSI/SI 1; E_{reco} (0.40 - 1.10) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_\mu$)	0.007 403.28	239.211	240.472	241.733	242.994
SKDet + FSI/SI 2; E_{reco} (1.10 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_\mu$)	0.007 204.4	239.287	240.497	241.707	242.917
SKDet + FSI/SI 3; E_{reco} (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCuQE ($1R_\mu$)	0.169 035	219.654	233.953	248.252	262.551
SKDet + FSI/SI 4; E_{reco} (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ sig_{ν_e} CC ($1R_\mu$)	1.005 48	240.901	241.035	241.169	241.304
SKDet + FSI/SI 5; E_{reco} (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; all NC ($1R_\mu$)	0.658 101	222.61	234.938	247.266	259.595
SK energy scale	0.024	241.102	241.102	241.102	241.102

Table B.1: $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 3\sigma$ effect of the systematic parameters on the total number of μ -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for neutrino mode pre-BANFF Asimov data set A. Only the systematic parameters which affect this sample are shown.

Parameter	1 σ value	BANFF tuned -3σ	BANFF tuned -1σ	BANFF tuned $+1\sigma$	BANFF tuned $+3\sigma$
All syst		19.3721	37.6935	88.523	201.123
BANFF 0, SK mini flux, 0.0 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.093 682 2	57.6767	57.9213	58.1658	58.4104
BANFF 1, SK mini flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV; RHC	0.079 343	57.5583	57.8819	58.2786	58.5287
BANFF 2, SK mini flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.076 727 1	56.6231	57.5701	58.5171	59.464
BANFF 3, SK mini flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.080 558 7	56.1916	57.4262	58.6609	59.8955
BANFF 4, SK mini flux, 2.5 - 3.0 GeV; RHC	0.080 289 6	56.7027	57.5966	58.4905	59.3844
BANFF 5, SK number flux, 0.0 - 0.4 GeV; RHC	0.104 476	56.5378	57.5416	58.5455	59.5494
BANFF 6, SK number flux, 0.4 - 0.5 GeV; RHC	0.101 533	57.067	57.718	58.3691	59.0202
BANFF 7, SK number flux, 0.5 - 0.6 GeV; RHC	0.096 167 3	57.8301	57.9724	58.1147	58.257
BANFF 8, SK number flux, 0.6 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.084 636 6	57.8844	57.9905	58.0966	58.2027
BANFF 9, SK number flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV; RHC	0.125 091	55.6825	57.2565	58.8306	60.4047
BANFF 10, SK number flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.105 291	55.8659	57.3177	58.7695	60.2212
BANFF 11, SK number flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.079 987	56.4133	57.5001	58.587	59.6738
BANFF 12, SK number flux, 2.5 - 3.5 GeV; RHC	0.073 938 4	57.3425	57.8099	58.2773	58.7446
BANFF 13, SK number flux, 3.5 - 5.0 GeV; RHC	0.093 992 3	57.4113	57.8328	58.2543	58.6759
BANFF 14, SK number flux, 5.0 - 7.0 GeV; RHC	0.092 512 6	57.9201	58.0024	58.0847	58.167
BANFF 15, SK number flux, 7.0 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.130 312	58.032	58.0397	58.0474	58.0551
BANFF 16, SK me flux, 0.0 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.068 881 3	58.0397	58.0423	58.0449	58.0475
BANFF 17, SK me flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.084 944 6	58.0384	58.0418	58.0453	58.0488
BANFF 18, SK mebar flux, 0.0 - 0.5 GeV; RHC	0.094 695 4	58.0435	58.0435	58.0436	58.0437
BANFF 19, SK mebar flux, 0.5 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.091 039 3	58.0432	58.0435	58.0437	58.0439
BANFF 20, SK mebar flux, 0.7 - 0.8 GeV; RHC	0.091 012 4	58.0434	58.0435	58.0436	58.0437
BANFF 21, SK mebar flux, 0.8 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.083 856 5	58.042	58.043	58.0441	58.0452
BANFF 22, SK mebar flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.079 577 6	58.0416	58.0431	58.0441	58.0451
BANFF 23, SK mebar flux, 2.5 - 4.0 GeV; RHC	0.089 007 5	58.0416	58.0429	58.0442	58.0456
BANFF 24, SK mebar flux, 4.0 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.155 813	58.0419	58.043	58.0441	58.0453
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h	1	55.0471	55.0471	56.0401	67.0331
BANFF; CA5 RES	0.148 515	54.0272	56.3167	60.1584	65.5523
BANFF; Norm; BgRes Icespin 1/2	0.307 692	57.1647	57.4252	58.9874	61.8515
BANFF; Ma QE	0.025	56.3858	57.4906	58.5967	59.6946
BANFF; Ma RES	0.157 895	54.3275	56.6448	59.5013	62.3804
BANFF; Fermi Momentum	0.057 777 8	59.1725	58.637	57.4477	56.2466
BANFF; Shape; CC Oth	0.4	57.4048	58.8291	58.3695	58.6871
BANFF; Norm; CC Coh	0.3	57.8175	57.9682	58.1189	58.2696
BANFF; Norm; NC Coh	0.3	58.0416	58.0429	58.0442	58.0455
BANFF; Norm; NC Oth	0.3	57.5743	57.8872	58.2	58.5128
BANFF; Norm; ν_e To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.028 284 3	58.0433	58.0435	58.0436	58.0438
BANFF; Norm; $\bar{\nu}_e$ To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.028 284 3	58.0433	58.0435	58.0437	58.0438
BANFF; Norm; 2p2hBar	1	55.5746	55.5746	60.5125	65.4505
BANFF; BeRPA A	0.118	51.1456	55.7443	60.3428	64.9414
BANFF; BeRPA B	0.21	52.501	56.196	59.8911	63.3862
BANFF; BeRPA D	0.1695	54.0755	56.7209	59.3663	63.664
BANFF; BeRPA E	0.352	57.8798	57.9772	58.111	58.2481
BANFF; Shape; 2p2h	3	58.1578	58.1007	57.9753	57.9071
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h C to O	0.2	54.7043	56.9505	59.1367	61.3228
SKDet + FSI/SI 0; E_{resol} (0.00 - 0.40) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_p$); RHC	0.008 512 49	57.9186	58.0019	58.0852	58.1686
SKDet + FSI/SI 1; E_{resol} (0.40 - 1.10) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_p$); RHC	0.007 050 99	57.7186	57.9353	58.1519	58.3685
SKDet + FSI/SI 2; E_{resol} (1.10 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_p$); RHC	0.006 784	57.5365	57.8746	58.2126	58.5506
SKDet + FSI/SI 3; E_{resol} (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_p$); RHC	0.129 646	53.7137	56.6003	59.4868	62.3734
SKDet + FSI/SI 4; E_{resol} (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; $\bar{\nu}_e/\bar{\nu}_\mu/\text{sig}^{\text{CC}} (1R_p)$; RHC	1.004 54	58.0253	58.0375	58.0497	58.0618
SKDet + FSI/SI 5; E_{resol} (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; all NC ($1R_p$); RHC	0.657 251	56.6208	56.9027	59.1845	61.4663
SK energy scale	0.024	58.0436	58.0436	58.0436	58.0436
		$-2.448\,31 \times 10^{-14}$	-8.5691×10^{-14}	-1.2242×10^{-13}	-6.12077×10^{-14}

Table B.2: $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 3\sigma$ effect of the systematic parameters on the total number of μ -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for antineutrino mode pre-BANFF Asimov data set A. Only the systematic parameters which affect this sample are shown.

Parameter	1- σ value	BRANFF varied -1 σ	BRANFF varied +1 σ	BRANFF varied -1 σ	BRANFF varied +1 σ
All syst	13.4912	-79.0516(%)	36.0858	-43.986(%)	109.17
BANFF 0, SK numu flux, 0.0 - 0.4 GeV	0.0987323	64.0102	-0.608829	64.2716	64.533
BANFF 1, SK numu flux, 0.4 - 0.5 GeV	0.103488	62.682	-2.67126	63.8289	64.9758
BANFF 2, SK numu flux, 0.5 - 0.6 GeV	0.096444	60.6675	-5.79923	63.1574	65.6473
BANFF 3, SK numu flux, 0.6 - 0.7 GeV	0.0866958	60.3974	-6.21864	63.0673	65.7373
BANFF 4, SK numu flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.113052	58.8035	-8.69353	62.536	66.2686
BANFF 5, SK numu flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.0917476	63.687	-1.11072	64.1639	64.6408
BANFF 6, SK numu flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.0701742	64.2733	-0.200259	64.3593	64.4453
BANFF 7, SK numu flux, 2.5 - 3.5 GeV	0.0736805	64.3235	-0.122345	64.376	64.4286
BANFF 8, SK numu flux, 3.5 - 5.0 GeV	0.0873733	64.2921	-0.17113	64.3656	64.439
BANFF 9, SK numu flux, 5.0 - 7.0 GeV	0.0979369	64.3488	-0.08304	64.3845	64.4201
BANFF 10, SK numu flux, 7.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.11436	64.3732	-0.0452789	64.3926	64.4315
BANFF 11, SK numubar flux, 0.0 - 0.7 GeV	0.102576	64.3597	-0.0661419	64.3881	64.4165
BANFF 12, SK numubar flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.0785331	64.3627	-0.0615239	64.3891	64.4155
BANFF 13, SK numubar flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.0844536	64.3682	-0.0530126	64.3909	64.4137
BANFF 14, SK numubar flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.0855683	64.3811	-0.0330017	64.3952	64.4094
BANFF 15, SK numubar flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	0.0864284	64.3817	-0.0319347	64.3955	64.4092
BANFF 16, SK nue flux, 0.0 - 0.5 GeV	0.0896983	64.0426	-0.558585	64.2824	64.5222
BANFF 17, SK nue flux, 0.5 - 0.7 GeV	0.089952	63.9068	-0.769331	64.2372	64.5675
BANFF 18, SK nue flux, 0.7 - 0.8 GeV	0.0859648	64.1548	-0.384367	64.3198	64.4848
BANFF 19, SK nue flux, 0.8 - 1.5 GeV	0.0809182	63.6486	-1.17031	64.1511	64.6535
BANFF 20, SK nue flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.0789719	64.3446	-0.0896441	64.3831	64.4216
BANFF 21, SK nue flux, 2.5 - 4.0 GeV	0.08385	64.3936	-0.0134845	64.3994	64.4052
BANFF 22, SK nue flux, 4.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.0938943	64.3987	-0.00567038	64.4011	64.4035
BANFF 23, SK nuclear flux, 0.0 - 2.5 GeV	0.0740279	64.3297	-0.11281	64.3781	64.4265
BANFF 24, SK nuclear flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	0.128416	64.3995	-0.0043831	64.4014	64.4033
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h	1	57.5264	-10.6765	57.5264	71.2782
BANFF; CA5 RES	0.148515	60.5772	-5.93936	62.946	66.0398
BANFF; Norm; BgRES Isospin 1/2	0.307692	63.9148	-0.756971	64.0593	64.9259
BANFF; Ma QE	0.025	61.7753	-4.07899	63.5516	65.2283
BANFF; Ma RES	0.157895	61.1503	-5.0496	63.4044	65.3124
BANFF; Fermi Momentum	0.0577778	65.765	2.11587	65.128	63.6315
BANFF; Shape; CC Oh	0.4	64.2479	-0.239744	64.3445	64.4601
BANFF; Norm; CC Coh	0.3	64.3496	-0.0818662	64.3847	64.4199
BANFF; Norm; NC Coh	0.3	63.8321	-0.885326	64.2123	64.5924
BANFF; Norm; NC Oh	0.3	64.0843	-0.493823	64.2963	64.5083
BANFF; Norm; ν_e To ν_μ	0.0282843	59.4949	-7.61997	62.7665	66.0381
BANFF; Norm; NC 1 γ	1	62.3329	-3.21331	62.3329	3.2133
BANFF; Norm; $\bar{\nu}_e$ To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.0282843	64.347	-0.0858529	64.3839	64.4207
BANFF; Norm; 2p2hBar	1	64.3424	-0.0930022	64.3424	64.4622
BANFF; BeRPA A	0.118	55.2091	-14.2747	61.3379	67.4687
BANFF; BeRPA B	0.21	53.464	-16.9843	60.7562	68.0484
BANFF; BeRPA D	0.1695	58.0806	-9.81599	62.2951	66.5096
BANFF; BeRPA E	0.352	64.0489	-0.548743	64.2615	64.5432
BANFF; Shape; 2p2h	3	63.9869	-0.644983	64.1946	64.603
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h C to O	0.2	60.2408	-6.4617	63.0152	65.7895
SKDet + FSI/ SI 6; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($1R_e$)	0.181271	61.2702	-4.86341	63.3583	65.4464
SKDet + FSI/ SI 6; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($1R_e$)	0.036083	60.4597	-6.1219	63.0881	65.7165
SKDet + FSI/ SI 8; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($1R_e$)	0.0416636	63.3311	-1.66328	64.0452	64.7504
SKDet + FSI/ SI 9; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($1R_e$)	0.300431	64.3482	-0.0839511	64.3843	64.4203
SKDet + FSI/ SI 10; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($1R_e$)	0.321346	64.2457	-0.243223	64.3501	64.4545
SKDet + FSI/ SI 11; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($1R_e$)	0.392969	64.3731	-0.0452823	64.3926	64.412
SKDet + FSI/ SI 12; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($1R_e$)	0.135399	64.0289	-0.579849	64.2778	64.5268
SKDet + FSI/ SI 13; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($1R_e$)	0.0698928	63.5422	-1.33558	64.1156	64.689
SKDet + FSI/ SI 14; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($1R_e$)	0.0771361	63.7745	-0.974818	64.193	64.6116
SKDet + FSI/ SI 15; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; all NC ($1R_e$)	0.194453	63.1388	-1.96183	63.9812	64.8235
SKDet + FSI/ SI 16; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; all NC ($1R_e$)	0.181015	62.8486	-2.41251	63.8844	64.9202
SKDet + FSI/ SI 17; $E_{\nu\text{reco}}$ (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; all NC ($1R_e$)	0.472078	63.4933	-1.4115	64.0993	64.7053
SK energy scale	0.024	64.4023	0	-2.2066 $\times 10^{-14}$	64.4023
				0	0

Table B.3: $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 3\sigma$ effect of the systematic parameters on the total number of e-like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for neutrino mode pre-BANFF Asimov data set A. Only the systematic parameters which affect this sample are shown.

Parameter	1 σ value	BANFF tuned -3σ	BANFF tuned -1σ	BANFF tuned $+1\sigma$	BANFF tuned $+3\sigma$
All syst.		1.97992	-43.144 (%)	69.576(%)	336.497(%)
BANFF 0, SK nu μ flux, 0.0 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.093 6822	7.219 18	7.324 71	7.430 25	7.535 78
BANFF 1, SK nu μ flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV; RHC	0.079 343	7.256 37	7.337 11	7.417 85	7.498 59
BANFF 2, SK nu μ flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.076 7271	7.304 03	-0.331 87	7.401 96	7.450 93
BANFF 3, SK nu μ flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.080 558 7	7.341 56	7.389 46	7.462 31	7.413 41
BANFF 4, SK nu μ flux, 2.5 - 3.0 GeV; RHC	0.080 289 6	7.337 62	-0.180 09	7.390 77	7.417 34
BANFF 5, SK nu μ flux, 0.0 - 0.4 GeV; RHC	0.104 476	7.353 38	-0.108 87	7.385 51	7.401 58
BANFF 6, SK nu μ flux, 0.4 - 0.5 GeV; RHC	0.101 533	7.290 96	7.348 64	7.406 32	7.464
BANFF 7, SK nu μ flux, 0.5 - 0.6 GeV; RHC	0.096 167 3	7.156 96	-0.996 37	7.450 99	7.598
BANFF 8, SK nu μ flux, 0.6 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.084 636 6	7.110 41	-1.206 7	7.466 5	7.644 55
BANFF 9, SK nu μ flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV; RHC	0.125 091	6.877 86	-2.257 4	7.544 02	7.877 1
BANFF 10, SK nu μ flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.105 291	7.285 18	-0.417 06	7.407 06	7.469 79
BANFF 11, SK nu μ flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.079 987	7.353 22	-0.109 62	7.385 57	7.401 74
BANFF 12, SK nu μ flux, 2.5 - 3.5 GeV; RHC	0.073 938 4	7.366 1	-0.051 402	7.381 27	7.388 86
BANFF 13, SK nu μ flux, 3.5 - 5.0 GeV; RHC	0.093 992 3	7.364 21	-0.059 977	7.381 91	7.390 76
BANFF 14, SK nu μ flux, 5.0 - 7.0 GeV; RHC	0.092 512 6	7.373 16	-0.019 525	7.378 92	7.381 8
BANFF 15, SK nu μ flux, 7.0 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.130 312	7.374 81	-0.012 046	7.378 37	7.380 15
BANFF 16, SK nu μ flux, 0.0 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.068 881 3	7.243 97	-0.603 24	7.421 99	7.510 99
BANFF 17, SK nu μ flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.084 944 6	7.375 09	-0.010 809	7.378 28	7.379 87
BANFF 18, SK nu μ flux, 0.0 - 0.5 GeV; RHC	0.094 695 4	7.325 35	-0.235 55	7.394 86	7.429 61
BANFF 19, SK nu μ flux, 0.5 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.091 039 3	7.317 31	-0.815 59	7.397 54	7.437 65
BANFF 20, SK nu μ flux, 0.7 - 0.8 GeV; RHC	0.091 012 4	7.344 44	-0.447 891	7.388 5	7.410 52
BANFF 21, SK nu μ flux, 0.8 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.083 856 5	7.268 36	-1.479 1	7.413 85	7.486 6
BANFF 22, SK nu μ flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.079 577 6	7.370 79	-0.090 695 5	7.379 71	7.384 17
BANFF 23, SK nu μ flux, 2.5 - 4.0 GeV; RHC	0.089 007 5	7.376 11	-0.018 546 3	7.377 02	7.378 85
BANFF 24, SK nu μ flux, 4.0 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.155 813	7.376 35	-0.005 110 7	7.377 86	7.378 61
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h	1	7.132 28	-3.323 58	3.323 6	8.113 07
BANFF; CA5 RES	0.148 515	6.848 93	-3.376 2	7.699 46	8.562 12
BANFF; Norm; BgRES Isospin 1/2	0.307 692	7.286 15	-0.871 15	7.475 58	7.773 24
BANFF; MIA QE	0.025	7.198 64	-0.805 61	7.436 54	7.553 11
BANFF; MIA RES	0.157 805	6.986 82	-5.295 35	7.221 81	7.857 05
BANFF; Fermi Momentum	0.057 777 8	7.530 15	2.069 35	7.905 45	7.127 52
BANFF; Shape; CC Oth	0.4	7.344 09	-0.452 601	7.365 67	7.389 29
BANFF; Norm, CC Coh	0.3	7.331	-0.628 631	7.362 02	7.392 94
BANFF; Norm, NC Coh	0.3	7.131 97	-3.327 78	7.295 65	7.459 32
BANFF; Norm, NC Oth	0.3	7.302 47	-1.016 77	7.352 48	7.402 48
BANFF; Norm, ν_e To ν_μ	0.028 284 3	7.221 29	-2.117 13	7.325 42	7.429 54
BANFF; Norm; NC 1 γ	1	6.853 36	-7.104 3	6.853 36	7.901 6
BANFF; Norm, $\bar{\nu}_e$ To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.028 284 3	7.028 5	-4.730 33	7.261 15	7.493 81
BANFF; Norm; 2p2hBar	1	7.054 87	-4.372 86	7.054 87	8.345 3
BANFF; BeRPA A	0.118	6.480 99	-12.151 7	7.078 65	7.676 31
BANFF; BeRPA B	0.21	6.671 1	-9.574 82	7.142 02	7.612 94
BANFF; BeRPA D	0.1695	7.055 99	-4.357 67	7.270 32	7.481 64
BANFF; BeRPA E	0.352	7.359 57	-0.242 812	7.370 34	7.384 62
BANFF; Shape; 2p2h	3	7.337 46	-0.542 431	7.357 47	7.409 66
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h, C to O	0.2	7.036 8	-1.539 3	7.415 47	7.718 16
SKDet + FSI; SI 6; E_{reco} (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.108 165	7.263 51	-1.544 86	7.488 04	7.709 17
SKDet + FSI; SI 7; E_{reco} (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.036 303 9	7.045 8	-4.495 9	7.266 92	7.488 04
SKDet + FSI; SI 8; E_{reco} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.056 731 5	7.216 19	-2.186 26	7.323 72	7.538 77
SKDet + FSI; SI 9; E_{reco} (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.348 644	7.367 59	-0.134 016	7.374 19	7.431 24
SKDet + FSI; SI 10; E_{reco} (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.341 647	7.340 54	-0.500 721	7.305 17	7.389 79
SKDet + FSI; SI 11; E_{reco} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.417 164	7.300 76	-0.226 635	7.373 91	7.383 05
SKDet + FSI; SI 12; E_{reco} (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.084 556 3	7.336 87	-0.550 513	7.363 94	7.391 02
SKDet + FSI; SI 13; E_{reco} (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.056 069 7	7.243 6	-1.814 67	7.332 86	7.422 11
SKDet + FSI; SI 14; E_{reco} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.078 024 1	7.224 6	-2.072 23	7.326 52	7.428 44
SKDet + FSI; SI 15; E_{reco} (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; all NC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.214 066	7.064 69	-4.239 82	7.273 22	7.481 74
SKDet + FSI; SI 16; E_{reco} (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; all NC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.190 575	6.973 98	-1.823 1	7.242 98	7.511 98
SKDet + FSI; SI 17; E_{reco} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; all NC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.464 86	7.137 17	-3.257 4	7.297 38	7.617 79
SK energy scale	0.024	7.377 48	-1.2039 $\times 10^{-14}$	7.377 48	7.377 48
		0	-2.4078 $\times 10^{-14}$		0

Table B.4: $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 3\sigma$ effect of the systematic parameters on the total number of e -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for antineutrino mode pre-BANFF Asimov data set A. Only the systematic parameters which affect this sample are shown.

Parameter	1 σ value	BANFF tuned -3σ	BANFF tuned -1σ	BANFF tuned $+1\sigma$	BANFF tuned $+3\sigma$
All syst		0.424293	-53.276 (%)	14.919	45.8854
BANFF 0, SK nmu flux, 0.0 - 0.4 GeV	0.0987323	7.72182	-0.012452	7.72567	7.72759
BANFF 1, SK nmu flux, 0.4 - 0.5 GeV	0.103488	7.63342	-0.39392	7.75514	7.81599
BANFF 2, SK nmu flux, 0.5 - 0.6 GeV	0.096444	7.35953	-4.72745	7.84643	8.08989
BANFF 3, SK nmu flux, 0.6 - 0.7 GeV	0.0866958	7.20413	-6.73909	7.55118	8.24528
BANFF 4, SK nmu flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.113052	6.90702	-10.5853	7.90727	8.54239
BANFF 5, SK nmu flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.0917476	7.62355	-0.4365	7.75843	7.82586
BANFF 6, SK nmu flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.0701742	7.70259	-0.286339	7.73208	7.74083
BANFF 7, SK nmu flux, 2.5 - 3.5 GeV	0.0736805	7.71056	-0.183134	7.71999	7.73885
BANFF 8, SK nmu flux, 3.5 - 5.0 GeV	0.0873733	7.6978	-0.348282	7.73368	7.75161
BANFF 9, SK nmu flux, 5.0 - 7.0 GeV	0.0979369	7.71317	-0.149381	7.72086	7.73625
BANFF 10, SK nmu flux, 7.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.11436	7.7233	-0.018241	7.72424	7.72612
BANFF 11, SK nmu flux, 0.0 - 0.7 GeV	0.102576	7.72385	-0.0111033	7.72442	7.72556
BANFF 12, SK nmu flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.0785331	7.72378	-0.0047011	7.7244	7.72564
BANFF 13, SK nmu flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.0844536	7.72326	-0.0186907	7.72423	7.72615
BANFF 14, SK nmu flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.0855683	7.72255	-0.0279626	7.72399	7.72687
BANFF 15, SK nmu flux, 2.5 - 3.0 GeV	0.0864284	7.7221	-0.0337547	7.72384	7.72731
BANFF 16, SK nmu flux, 3.0 - 3.5 GeV	0.0896983	7.71448	-0.132379	7.7213	7.72812
BANFF 17, SK nmu flux, 3.5 - 5.0 GeV	0.089952	7.66823	-0.731188	7.70588	7.74373
BANFF 18, SK nmu flux, 5.0 - 7.0 GeV	0.0859648	7.6858	-0.503612	7.71174	7.73767
BANFF 19, SK nmu flux, 7.0 - 8.0 GeV	0.0809182	7.58596	-1.79618	7.67846	7.77096
BANFF 20, SK nmu flux, 8.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.0789719	7.71381	-0.141038	7.72108	7.7356
BANFF 21, SK nmu flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.08385	7.72324	-0.0189655	7.72422	7.72617
BANFF 22, SK nmu flux, 2.5 - 4.0 GeV	0.0938943	7.72412	-0.00760552	7.72451	7.72529
BANFF 23, SK nmu flux, 4.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.0740279	7.72291	-0.023243	7.72411	7.7265
BANFF 24, SK nmu flux, 0.0 - 2.5 GeV	0.128416	7.72428	-0.00548076	7.72457	7.72513
BANFF, Norm; 2p2h	1	7.62198	-1.32985	7.62198	7.62198
BANFF, CA5 RES	0.148515	4.94898	-35.9331	6.68439	11.5362
BANFF, Norm; BgRES Isospin 1/2	0.307692	7.42076	-3.93473	7.51082	9.04181
BANFF, Ma QE	0.025	7.70958	-0.195853	7.7198	7.73862
BANFF, Ma RES	0.157895	5.55765	-28.0536	7.12125	8.22751
BANFF, Fermi Momentum	0.0577778	7.73057	0.0759039	7.72776	7.71341
BANFF, Shape; CC Oth	0.4	7.53721	-2.42724	7.64813	7.95445
BANFF, Norm; CC Coh	0.3	7.58906	-1.75598	7.67949	7.86035
BANFF, Norm; NC Oth	0.3	7.52266	-2.61563	7.65736	7.92676
BANFF, Norm; ν_e To ν_μ	1	7.11846	-7.84814	7.52263	8.33095
BANFF, Norm; NC 1 γ	0.0282843	7.66615	-0.758101	7.66615	7.90039
BANFF, Norm; ν_e To ν_μ	0.0282843	7.7235	-0.0156814	7.7243	7.72592
BANFF, Norm; 2p2hBar	1	7.72312	-0.0206066	7.72312	0.020607
BANFF, BeRPA A	0.118	7.6872	-0.485527	7.71221	7.76221
BANFF, BeRPA B	0.21	7.66389	-0.787311	7.70443	7.78552
BANFF, BeRPA D	0.1695	7.68658	-0.493568	7.712	7.76283
BANFF, BeRPA E	0.352	7.72255	-0.0279701	7.72385	7.72729
BANFF, Shape; 2p2h	3	7.6796	-0.583888	7.70216	7.74243
BANFF, Norm; 2p2h C to O	0.2	7.66212	-0.810272	7.70384	7.7873
SKDet + FSI/SI 0; E_{recd} (0.30 - 0.80) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($MultiR_e$); MultiRing	0.248951	4.60312	-40.4104	6.68418	10.8463
SKDet + FSI/SI 1; E_{recd} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($MultiR_e$); MultiRing	0.214994	6.40097	-16.3597	8.14595	16.3597
SKDet + FSI/SI 2; E_{recd} (0.30 - 0.80) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($MultiR_e$); MultiRing	0.507403	7.56986	-2.00453	7.77632	7.87955
SKDet + FSI/SI 3; E_{recd} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($MultiR_e$); MultiRing	0.236118	7.68785	-0.477076	7.73699	0.477076
SKDet + FSI/SI 4; E_{recd} (0.30 - 0.80) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($MultiR_e$); MultiRing	0.244289	7.42686	-3.85577	7.62542	8.02255
SKDet + FSI/SI 5; E_{recd} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($MultiR_e$); MultiRing	0.23455	7.29299	-5.58877	7.5808	8.15642
SKDet + FSI/SI 6; E_{recd} (0.30 - 0.80) GeV; all NC ($MultiR_e$); MultiRing	0.983178	6.84641	-11.37	8.01747	8.60301
SKDet + FSI/SI 7; E_{recd} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; all NC ($MultiR_e$); MultiRing	0.523609	7.54527	-2.3229	7.78452	7.90414
SK energy scale	0.024	7.72471	2.2996 $\times 10^{-14}$	7.72471	7.72471

Table B.5: $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 3\sigma$ effect of the systematic parameters on the total number of e -like Super-K events with one decay electron with Run 1-8 POT for neutrino mode pre-BANFF Asimov data set A. Only the systematic parameters which affect this sample are shown.

Parameter	1 σ value	BANFF tuned -3σ	BANFF tuned -1σ	BANFF tuned $+1\sigma$	BANFF tuned $+3\sigma$
All syst		-58.8929(%)	-23.773 (%)	28.666(%)	109.75 (%)
BANFF 0, SK numu flux, 0.0 - 0.4 GeV	0.057 496 7	257.64	200.066	264.066	267.28
BANFF 1, SK numu flux, 0.4 - 0.5 GeV	0.051 936 3	258.407	261.109	263.811	266.512
BANFF 2, SK numu flux, 0.5 - 0.6 GeV	0.044 568 2	261.573	262.164	262.755	263.346
BANFF 3, SK numu flux, 0.6 - 0.7 GeV	0.041 886 1	261.743	262.221	262.699	263.177
BANFF 4, SK numu flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.054 16	253.774	259.565	265.355	271.146
BANFF 5, SK numu flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.049 026 1	255.414	260.111	264.809	269.506
BANFF 6, SK numu flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.041 778 9	257.572	260.831	267.348	1.862 32
BANFF 7, SK numu flux, 2.5 - 3.5 GeV	0.043 606 9	259.942	261.621	263.299	0.950 321
BANFF 8, SK numu flux, 3.5 - 5.0 GeV	0.040 772	260.44	261.787	263.133	0.769 586
BANFF 9, SK numu flux, 5.0 - 7.0 GeV	0.040 095 8	261.934	262.285	262.635	0.200 252
BANFF 10, SK numu flux, 7.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.048 214	262.415	262.445	262.475	0.017 173 8
BANFF 11, SK numubar flux, 0.0 - 0.7 GeV	0.073 717	262.238	262.386	262.534	0.084 566 9
BANFF 12, SK numubar flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.0477	262.299	262.406	262.514	0.061 424 1
BANFF 13, SK numubar flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.057 472 1	261.806	262.242	262.678	263.114
BANFF 14, SK numubar flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.061 890 7	261.514	262.145	262.775	0.360 463
BANFF 15, SK numubar flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	0.064 676 3	261.784	262.235	262.685	0.257 58
BANFF 16, SK nue flux, 0.0 - 0.5 GeV	0.046 471 9	262.459	262.46	262.46	0.000 248 152
BANFF 17, SK nue flux, 0.5 - 0.7 GeV	0.042 400 3	262.459	262.46	262.46	0.000 425 298
BANFF 18, SK nue flux, 0.7 - 0.8 GeV	0.041 175	262.459	262.46	262.46	0.000 313 178
BANFF 19, SK nue flux, 0.8 - 1.5 GeV	0.039 056 6	262.454	262.458	262.462	0.002 205 89
BANFF 20, SK nue flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.040 055 2	262.453	262.458	262.467	0.000 923 51
BANFF 21, SK nue flux, 2.5 - 4.0 GeV	0.041 468 5	262.455	262.458	262.462	0.001 941 69
BANFF 22, SK nue flux, 4.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.058 681 4	262.457	262.459	262.461	0.001 271 22
BANFF 23, SK nuebar flux, 0.0 - 2.5 GeV	0.053 829 3	262.459	262.46	262.46	0.000 164 62
BANFF 24, SK nuebar flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	0.114 234	262.456	262.459	262.461	0.000 478 29
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h	0.182 443	249.661	258.194	266.726	275.258
BANFF; CA5 RES	0.059 470 4	255.895	260.15	264.891	270.119
BANFF; Norm; BgRES Isospin 1/2	0.189 77	258.529	260.792	264.486	269.614
BANFF; Ma QE	0.056 645 3	234.686	-1.5823	253.493	287.323
BANFF; Ma RES	0.045 292 1	256.99	-2.084 16	260.608	268.095
BANFF; Permit Momentum	0.071 668 1	260.153	-0.878 886	263.803	258.576
BANFF; Shape; CC Oh	0.186 63	261.304	-0.440 596	262.074	250.147
BANFF; Norm, CC Coh	0.274 896	262.097	-0.138 277	262.339	263.616
BANFF; Norm, NC Coh	0.297 426	262.46	-0.000 172 198	262.46	262.823
BANFF; Norm, NC Oh	0.3	260.395	-0.786 683	261.772	0.138 277
BANFF; Norm, ν_e To ν_μ	0.028 284 3	262.453	-0.002 545 52	262.458	0.000 172 198
BANFF; Norm, $\bar{\nu}_e$ To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.028 284 3	262.46	-2.093 $\times 10^{-5}$	262.46	0.002 545 52
BANFF; Norm; 2p2hBar	0.201 069	261.848	-0.233 015	262.237	2.093 $\times 10^{-5}$
BANFF; BeRPA A	0.055 826 7	244.308	-6.916 12	256.109	0.254 533
BANFF; BeRPA B	0.117 434	244.85	-6.709 68	256.59	6.916 13
BANFF; BeRPA D	0.127 806	241.706	-7.907 32	269.378	280.07
BANFF; BeRPA E	0.354 515	261.309	-0.438 695	261.985	7.907 35
BANFF; Shape; 2p2h	0.338 124	264.48	0.769 509	263.47	0.551 209
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h, C to O	0.161 427	244.958	-6.668 47	268.222	0.779 109
SKDet + FSI / SI 0; E_{reco} (0.00 - 0.40) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_\mu$)	0.008 785 93	261.76	0.008 785 93	262.626	6.668 47
SKDet + FSI / SI 1; E_{reco} (0.40 - 1.10) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_\mu$)	0.007 403 28	260.255	-0.840 095	262.693	0.266 69
SKDet + FSI / SI 2; E_{reco} (1.10 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_\mu$)	0.007 204 4	260.47	-0.758 196	263.123	0.840 095
SKDet + FSI / SI 3; E_{reco} (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCnQE ($1R_\mu$)	0.169 035	243.977	-7.042 31	256.299	0.758 196
SKDet + FSI / SI 4; E_{reco} (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ sig ν_e CC ($1R_\mu$)	1.005 48	262.22	-0.091 235 1	262.54	7.042 31
SKDet + FSI / SI 5; E_{reco} (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; all NC ($1R_\mu$)	0.658 101	246.61	-6.039 01	267.743	0.091 235 1
SK energy scale	0.024	262.46	-4.331 59 $\times 10^{-14}$	-2.1658 $\times 10^{-14}$	-2.16579 $\times 10^{-14}$

Table B.6: $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 3\sigma$ effect of the systematic parameters on the total number of μ -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for neutrino mode post-BANFF Asimov data set A. Only the systematic parameters which affect this sample are shown.

Parameter	1 σ value	BANFF tuned -3σ	BANFF tuned -1σ	BANFF tuned $+1\sigma$	BANFF tuned $+3\sigma$
All syst		30.5141	49.2477	77.269	121.097
BANFF 0, SK numu flux, 0.0 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.065 643.2	61.5824	61.791	61.9995	62.2081
BANFF 1, SK numu flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV; RHC	0.048 611.9	61.5733	61.7879	62.0026	62.2172
BANFF 2, SK numu flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.045 404.8	61.0082	61.5996	62.1909	62.7823
BANFF 3, SK numu flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.048 620.6	60.7269	61.5058	62.2847	63.0636
BANFF 4, SK numu flux, 2.5 - 3.0 GeV; RHC	0.043 062.7	61.1628	61.6511	62.1394	62.0277
BANFF 5, SK numubar flux, 0.0 - 0.4 GeV; RHC	0.064 779.5	60.8622	61.5509	62.2396	62.9283
BANFF 6, SK numubar flux, 0.4 - 0.5 GeV; RHC	0.052 486.4	61.34	61.7102	62.0803	62.4505
BANFF 7, SK numubar flux, 0.5 - 0.6 GeV; RHC	0.044 828.8	61.7886	61.8597	61.9308	62.0019
BANFF 8, SK numubar flux, 0.6 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.040 954.3	61.8144	61.9222	61.9761	61.9761
BANFF 9, SK numubar flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV; RHC	0.052 165.1	60.8576	61.5494	62.2411	62.9329
BANFF 10, SK numubar flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.047 032.3	60.8991	61.5632	62.2273	62.8914
BANFF 11, SK numubar flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.042 404.3	61.0423	61.6109	62.1796	62.7482
BANFF 12, SK numubar flux, 2.5 - 3.5 GeV; RHC	0.046 242.6	61.4714	62.084 739	62.0365	62.3191
BANFF 13, SK numubar flux, 3.5 - 5.0 GeV; RHC	0.062 880.7	61.4938	61.7614	62.0291	62.2967
BANFF 14, SK numubar flux, 5.0 - 7.0 GeV; RHC	0.055 519.7	61.8265	61.8723	61.9182	61.964
BANFF 15, SK numubar flux, 7.0 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.092 647.5	61.8878	61.8928	61.8977	61.9027
BANFF 16, SK nue flux, 0.0 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.046 545.2	61.893	61.8945	61.8975	61.8975
BANFF 17, SK nue flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.064 639	61.8919	61.8941	61.8963	61.8986
BANFF 18, SK meubar flux, 0.0 - 0.5 GeV; RHC	0.051 375.5	61.8952	61.8952	61.8953	61.8953
BANFF 19, SK meubar flux, 0.5 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.043 268	61.8951	61.8952	61.8953	61.8954
BANFF 20, SK meubar flux, 0.7 - 0.8 GeV; RHC	0.043 836.5	61.8952	61.8952	61.8953	61.8953
BANFF 21, SK meubar flux, 0.8 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.039 880.6	61.8946	61.895	61.8955	61.8959
BANFF 22, SK meubar flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.051 444.5	61.8944	61.895	61.8955	61.8961
BANFF 23, SK meubar flux, 2.5 - 4.0 GeV; RHC	0.064 480.7	61.894	61.8948	61.8957	61.8965
BANFF 24, SK meubar flux, 4.0 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.132 852	61.894	61.8948	61.8957	61.8965
BANFF; Norm: 2p2h	0.182 443	60.2874	61.3593	62.4312	63.5031
BANFF; Norm: 2p2h	0.059 470.4	60.1443	61.2586	62.585	64.1236
BANFF; Norm: BgRES Isospin 1/2	0.189 77	60.7952	61.4283	62.4624	63.8975
BANFF; Ma QE	0.056 648.3	57.5502	60.4125	63.3914	66.3733
BANFF; Ma RES	0.045 292.1	60.824	61.5157	62.2944	63.1423
BANFF; Fermi Momentum	0.071 668.1	61.3847	62.1854	61.0781	59.4091
BANFF; Shape; CC Oth	0.186 63	61.5816	61.7907	61.9998	62.2089
BANFF; Norm: CC Coh	0.274 896	61.683	61.8245	61.966	62.1075
BANFF; Norm: NC Coh	0.297 426	61.8933	61.8946	61.8959	61.8972
BANFF; Norm: NC Oth	0.3	61.4044	61.7316	62.0589	62.3861
BANFF; Norm: ν_e To ν_μ	0.028 284.3	61.895	61.8952	61.8953	61.8955
BANFF; Norm: $\bar{\nu}_e$ To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.028 284.3	61.895	61.8952	61.8953	61.8955
BANFF; Norm: 2p2hBar	0.201 069	60.6651	61.4473	62.3432	63.239
BANFF; BeRPA A	0.055 826.7	58.3023	60.6976	63.0929	65.4882
BANFF; BeRPA B	0.117 434	58.8486	60.8797	62.9108	64.9419
BANFF; BeRPA D	0.127 806	58.4343	60.7416	63.0489	65.3562
BANFF; BeRPA E	0.354 515	61.7148	61.8205	61.9711	62.1253
BANFF; Shape; 2p2h	0.338 124	61.957	61.9261	62.0044	62.5317
BANFF; Norm: 2p2h C to O	0.161 427	59.1021	60.9642	62.8263	64.9419
SKDet + FSI/SI 0; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.00 - 0.40) GeV; CCQE ($1R_p$); RHC	0.008 512.49	61.7509	61.8471	62.0044	62.5317
SKDet + FSI/SI 1; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.40 - 1.10) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_p$); RHC	0.007 050.99	61.5329	61.7745	62.016	62.0396
SKDet + FSI/SI 2; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (1.10 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_p$); RHC	0.006 784	61.3387	61.7097	62.0808	62.4518
SKDet + FSI/SI 3; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CCQE ($1R_p$); RHC	0.129 646	57.9032	60.5646	62.2259	65.8873
SKDet + FSI/SI 4; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ sign ν_e CC ($1R_p$); RHC	1.004 54	61.8744	61.8883	61.9022	61.9161
SKDet + FSI/SI 5; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.00 - 30.00) GeV; all NC ($1R_p$); RHC	0.657 251	58.947	60.9117	62.8788	64.8458
SK energy scale	0.024	61.8952	61.8952	61.8952	61.8952

Table B.7: $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 3\sigma$ effect of the systematic parameters on the total number of μ -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for antineutrino mode post-BANFF Asimov data set A. Only the systematic parameters which affect this sample are shown.

Parameter	1 σ value	BANFF tuned -3 σ	BANFF tuned -1 σ	BANFF tuned +1 σ	BANFF tuned +3 σ
All syst		24.922	51.4515	102.19	190.164
BANFF 0, SK numu flux, 0.0 - 0.4 GeV	0.057 4967	72.9223	73.1192	73.3161	73.513
BANFF 1, SK numu flux, 0.4 - 0.5 GeV	0.051 9363	72.1503	72.8619	73.5734	74.285
BANFF 2, SK numu flux, 0.5 - 0.6 GeV	0.044 5682	71.1561	72.5305	73.9049	75.2792
BANFF 3, SK numu flux, 0.6 - 0.7 GeV	0.041 8861	70.9918	72.4757	73.9596	75.4435
BANFF 4, SK numu flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.054 16	70.287	72.2408	74.1945	76.1483
BANFF 5, SK numu flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.049 0261	72.8314	73.0859	73.3464	73.6039
BANFF 6, SK numu flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.041 7789	73.1531	73.1962	73.2392	73.2822
BANFF 7, SK numu flux, 2.5 - 3.5 GeV	0.043 6069	73.1782	73.2045	73.2308	73.2571
BANFF 8, SK numu flux, 3.5 - 5.0 GeV	0.040 772	73.1759	73.2038	73.2316	73.2594
BANFF 9, SK numu flux, 5.0 - 7.0 GeV	0.040 0958	73.2002	73.2118	73.2235	73.2352
BANFF 10, SK numu flux, 7.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.048 214	73.208	73.2144	73.2209	73.2274
BANFF 11, SK numubar flux, 0.0 - 0.7 GeV	0.073 717	73.1847	73.2067	73.2286	73.2506
BANFF 12, SK numubar flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.0477	73.1928	73.2094	73.2259	73.2425
BANFF 13, SK numubar flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.057 4721	73.1952	73.2102	73.2251	73.2401
BANFF 14, SK numubar flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.061 8907	73.2042	73.2132	73.2222	73.2311
BANFF 15, SK numubar flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	0.064 6763	73.2046	73.2133	73.222	73.2307
BANFF 16, SK nue flux, 0.0 - 0.5 GeV	0.046 4719	72.9814	73.1389	73.2964	73.4539
BANFF 17, SK nue flux, 0.5 - 0.7 GeV	0.042 4003	72.9412	73.1255	73.2098	73.4041
BANFF 18, SK nue flux, 0.7 - 0.8 GeV	0.041 175	73.0844	73.1732	73.2621	73.3509
BANFF 19, SK nue flux, 0.8 - 1.5 GeV	0.039 0566	72.8167	73.084	73.3513	73.6186
BANFF 20, SK nue flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.040 0552	73.1876	73.2076	73.2277	73.2477
BANFF 21, SK nue flux, 2.5 - 4.0 GeV	0.041 4685	73.2139	73.2164	73.2189	73.2214
BANFF 22, SK nue flux, 4.0 - 30.0 GeV	0.058 6814	73.216	73.2171	73.2182	73.2194
BANFF 23, SK nuebar flux, 0.0 - 2.5 GeV	0.053 8293	73.1626	73.1993	73.236	73.2728
BANFF 24, SK nuebar flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	0.114 234	73.2155	73.2169	73.2184	73.2199
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h	0.182 443	69.5006	71.9786	74.4567	76.9347
BANFF; CA5 RES	0.059 4704	71.8118	72.7247	73.735	74.8426
BANFF; Norm; BgRES Isospin 1/2	0.189 77	72.627	72.9669	73.5222	74.2928
BANFF; Ma QE	0.056 6483	64.696	70.5376	75.731	80.2664
BANFF; Ma RES	0.045 2921	72.1583	72.8705	73.5578	74.2156
BANFF; Fermi Momentum	0.071 6681	72.6124	73.5743	72.1652	69.8285
BANFF; Shape; CC Oth	0.186 63	73.137	73.1908	73.2446	73.2984
BANFF; Norm; CC Coh	0.274 896	73.1696	73.2016	73.2337	73.2658
BANFF; Norm; NC Coh	0.297 426	72.6524	73.0292	73.4061	73.7829
BANFF; Norm; NC Oth	0.3	72.8927	73.1094	73.326	73.5426
BANFF; Norm, ν_e To ν_μ	0.028 2843	67.5071	71.3141	75.1212	78.9282
BANFF; Norm; NC 1 γ	1	71.1672	71.1672	75.2681	79.369
BANFF; Norm, $\bar{\nu}_e$ To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.028 2843	73.1582	73.1978	73.2375	73.2771
BANFF; Norm; 2p2hBar	0.201 069	73.1818	73.2046	73.2307	73.2568
BANFF; BeRPA A	0.055 8267	68.1306	71.522	74.9134	78.3048
BANFF; BeRPA B	0.117 434	67.4635	71.2996	75.1357	78.9718
BANFF; BeRPA D	0.127 806	67.8054	71.4136	75.0218	78.6299
BANFF; BeRPA E	0.354 515	72.8409	73.064	73.3713	73.6787
BANFF; Shape; 2p2h	0.338 124	72.6822	72.9499	73.9761	75.739
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h C to O	0.161 427	68.2076	71.5477	74.8877	78.2277
SKDet + FSI/ SI 6; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC (1 R_e)	0.181 271	68.7493	71.7282	74.7071	77.6861
SKDet + FSI/ SI 7; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC (1 R_e)	0.036 083	68.6468	71.694	74.7413	77.7885
SKDet + FSI/ SI 8; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC (1 R_e)	0.041 6636	72.1642	72.8655	73.5688	74.2712
SKDet + FSI/ SI 9; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (1.25 - 3.5) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC (1 R_e)	0.300 431	73.1543	73.1965	73.2388	73.281
SKDet + FSI/ SI 10; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (3.5 - 0.80) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC (1 R_e)	0.321 346	73.0587	73.1647	73.2706	73.3766
SKDet + FSI/ SI 11; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC (1 R_e)	0.392 969	73.1904	73.2086	73.2267	73.2449
SKDet + FSI/ SI 12; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (1.25 - 3.5) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC (1 R_e)	0.163 399	72.7003	73.0452	73.3901	73.735
SKDet + FSI/ SI 13; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (3.5 - 0.80) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC (1 R_e)	0.069 8928	72.1921	72.8758	73.5595	74.2433
SKDet + FSI/ SI 14; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC (1 R_e)	0.077 1361	72.5317	72.989	73.4463	73.9036
SKDet + FSI/ SI 15; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (1.25 - 3.5) GeV; all NC (1 R_e)	0.194 453	72.0874	72.8409	73.5944	74.3479
SKDet + FSI/ SI 16; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (3.5 - 0.80) GeV; all NC (1 R_e)	0.181 015	71.849	72.7615	73.6739	74.5863
SKDet + FSI/ SI 17; $E_{\nu\mu}$ (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; all NC (1 R_e)	0.472 078	72.5075	72.9809	73.4544	73.9279
SK energy scale	0.024	1.940 91 $\times 10^{-14}$	1.940 91 $\times 10^{-14}$	1.940 91 $\times 10^{-14}$	0

Table B.8: $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 3\sigma$ effect of the systematic parameters on the total number of e -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for neutrino mode post-BANFF Asimov data set A. Only the systematic parameters which affect this sample are shown.

Parameter	1 σ value	BANFF tuned -3σ	BANFF tuned -1σ	BANFF tuned $+1\sigma$	BANFF tuned $+3\sigma$
All syst		2.963 71	5.462 14	11.115	21.274
BANFF 0, SK muon flux, 0.0 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.065 6432	-1.690 35	-0.563 45	0.563 45	1.690 35
BANFF 1, SK muon flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV; RHC	0.048 6119	-1.019 45	-0.339 82	0.339 82	1.019 45
BANFF 2, SK muon flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.045 4048	-0.561 803	-0.187 27	0.187 27	0.561 803
BANFF 3, SK muon flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.048 6206	-0.242 765	0.080 922	0.080 922	0.242 765
BANFF 4, SK muon flux, 2.5 - 3.0 GeV; RHC	0.043 0627	-0.230 369	-0.076 79	0.076 79	0.230 369
BANFF 5, SK muon flux, 0.0 - 0.4 GeV; RHC	0.064 7795	-0.209 058	-0.069 686	0.069 686	0.209 058
BANFF 6, SK muon flux, 0.4 - 0.5 GeV; RHC	0.052 4864	-0.016 928	-0.205 64	0.205 64	0.016 928
BANFF 7, SK muon flux, 0.5 - 0.6 GeV; RHC	0.046 07	-1.404 56	-0.408 19	0.408 19	1.404 56
BANFF 8, SK muon flux, 0.6 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.040 9543	-1.736 07	-0.578 69	0.578 69	1.736 07
BANFF 9, SK muon flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV; RHC	0.052 1651	-2.745	-0.915	0.915	2.745
BANFF 10, SK muon flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.047 0323	-0.509 156	-0.169 72	0.169 72	0.509 156
BANFF 11, SK muon flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.042 4043	-0.146 092	-0.048 697	0.048 697	0.146 092
BANFF 12, SK muon flux, 2.5 - 3.5 GeV; RHC	0.046 2436	-0.077 5709	-0.025 86	0.025 86	0.077 5709
BANFF 13, SK muon flux, 3.5 - 5.0 GeV; RHC	0.062 8807	-0.093 8605	-0.031 287	0.031 287	0.093 8605
BANFF 14, SK muon flux, 5.0 - 7.0 GeV; RHC	0.055 5197	-0.026 9095	-0.008 969 8	0.008 969 8	0.026 909 5
BANFF 15, SK muon flux, 7.0 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.092 6475	-0.021 895 7	-0.007 298 6	0.007 298 6	0.021 895 7
BANFF 16, SK muon flux, 0.0 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.046 5452	-1.299 28	-0.433 09	0.433 09	1.299 28
BANFF 17, SK muon flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.064 639	-0.020 132 8	-0.006 710 9	0.006 710 9	0.020 132 8
BANFF 18, SK muon flux, 0.0 - 0.5 GeV; RHC	0.051 3755	-0.401 976	-0.133 99	0.133 99	0.401 976
BANFF 19, SK muon flux, 0.5 - 0.7 GeV; RHC	0.043 268	-0.393 588	-0.1312	0.1312	0.393 588
BANFF 20, SK muon flux, 0.7 - 0.8 GeV; RHC	0.043 8365	-0.216 534	-0.072 178	0.072 178	0.216 534
BANFF 21, SK muon flux, 0.8 - 1.5 GeV; RHC	0.039 8806	-0.685 932	-0.228 64	0.228 64	0.685 932
BANFF 22, SK muon flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV; RHC	0.051 4445	-0.051 4339	-0.017 145	0.017 145	0.051 433 9
BANFF 23, SK muon flux, 2.5 - 4.0 GeV; RHC	0.064 4807	-0.011 252 1	-0.003 750 7	0.003 750 7	0.011 252 1
BANFF 24, SK muon flux, 4.0 - 30.0 GeV; RHC	0.132 852	-0.010 160 3	-0.003 386 8	0.003 386 8	0.010 160 3
BANFF, Norm; 2p2h	0.182 443	-1.734 6	-0.578 2	0.578 2	1.734 6
BANFF, CA5 RES	0.059 4704	-2.839 1	-1.009 9	1.009 9	2.839 1
BANFF, Norm; Bg RES Isospin 1/2	0.189 77	-1.476 65	-0.626 77	0.626 77	1.476 65
BANFF, MA QE	0.056 648 3	-6.054 95	-2.073 4	2.073 4	6.054 95
BANFF, MA RES	0.045 292 1	-1.379 41	-0.505 59	0.505 59	1.379 41
BANFF, Fermi Momentum	0.071 668 1	-0.900 157	-0.333 26	0.333 26	0.900 157
BANFF, Shape; CC Oth	0.186 63	-0.216 893	-0.072 298	0.072 298	0.216 893
BANFF, Norm; CC Coh	0.274 896	-0.542 185	-0.180 73	0.180 73	0.542 185
BANFF, Norm; CC Coh	0.297 426	-3.134 05	-1.044 7	1.044 7	3.134 05
BANFF, Norm; NC Oth	0.3	-0.999 766	-0.333 26	0.333 26	0.999 766
BANFF, Norm; ν_e To ν_μ	0.028 284 3	-2.311 78	-0.770 59	0.770 59	2.311 78
BANFF, Norm; ν_e To γ	1	-6.763 74	-2.637 81	2.637 81	6.763 74
BANFF, Norm; ν_e To ν_μ	0.028 284 3	-4.765 99	-1.588 7	1.588 7	4.765 99
BANFF, Norm; 2p2hBar	0.201 069	-2.464 32	-0.897 3	0.897 3	2.464 32
BANFF, BeRPA A	0.055 8267	-6.111 45	-2.037 1	2.037 1	6.111 45
BANFF, BeRPA B	0.117 434	-4.898 73	-1.632 9	1.632 9	4.898 73
BANFF, BeRPA D	0.127 806	-3.461 99	-1.154	1.154	3.461 99
BANFF, BeRPA E	0.354 515	-0.242 58	-0.098 949	0.098 955	0.242 58
BANFF, Shape; 2p2h	0.338 124	-0.583 371	-0.291 69	0.291 69	0.583 371
BANFF, Norm; 2p2h C to O	0.161 427	-3.599 42	-1.199 8	1.199 8	3.599 42
SKDet + FSI/ SI 6; E_{reco} (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.108 165	-1.743 77	-0.581 26	0.581 26	1.743 77
SKDet + FSI/ SI 7; E_{reco} (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.036 303 9	-4.607 64	-1.535 9	1.535 9	4.607 64
SKDet + FSI/ SI 8; E_{reco} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; Osc. ν_e CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.056 731 5	-2.151 25	-0.717 08	0.717 08	2.151 25
SKDet + FSI/ SI 9; E_{reco} (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.348 644	-0.133 966	-0.044 655	0.044 655	0.133 966
SKDet + FSI/ SI 10; E_{reco} (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.341 647	-0.494 211	-0.164 74	0.164 74	0.494 211
SKDet + FSI/ SI 11; E_{reco} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.417 164	-0.203 851	-0.067 95	0.067 95	0.203 851
SKDet + FSI/ SI 12; E_{reco} (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.084 556 3	-0.643 709	-0.214 57	0.214 57	0.643 709
SKDet + FSI/ SI 13; E_{reco} (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.056 069 7	-1.930 28	-0.643 43	0.643 43	1.930 28
SKDet + FSI/ SI 14; E_{reco} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.078 024 1	-2.125 19	-0.708 4	0.708 4	2.125 19
SKDet + FSI/ SI 15; E_{reco} (0.00 - 0.35) GeV; all NC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.214 066	-3.630 77	-1.210 3	1.210 3	3.630 77
SKDet + FSI/ SI 16; E_{reco} (0.35 - 0.80) GeV; all NC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.190 575	-4.693 75	-1.564 6	1.564 6	4.693 75
SKDet + FSI/ SI 17; E_{reco} (0.80 - 1.25) GeV; all NC ($1R_e$); RHC	0.464 86	-2.721	-0.907	0.907	2.721
SK energy scale	0.024	2.261×10^{-14}	2.261×10^{-14}	3.3915×10^{-14}	7.856 42

Table B.9: $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 3\sigma$ effect of the systematic parameters on the total number of e -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for antineutrino mode post-BANFF Asimov data set A. Only the systematic parameters which affect this sample are shown.

Parameter	1 σ value	BANFF tuned -3σ	BANFF tuned -1σ	BANFF tuned $+1\sigma$	BANFF tuned $+3\sigma$
All syst		0.804 711	4.008 33	61.106(%)	25.0389
BANFF 0, SK numu flux, 0.0 - 0.4 GeV	0.057 496 7	6.954 24	6.955 41	-0.008 402 1	6.957 75
BANFF 1, SK numu flux, 0.4 - 0.5 GeV	0.051 936 3	6.910 04	6.940 08	0.220 22	7.001 95
BANFF 2, SK numu flux, 0.5 - 0.6 GeV	0.044 598 2	6.798 99	6.903 66	0.752 37	7.113
BANFF 3, SK numu flux, 0.6 - 0.7 GeV	0.041 886 1	6.727 93	6.879 97	1.092 9	7.184 06
BANFF 4, SK numu flux, 0.7 - 1.0 GeV	0.054 16	6.610 26	6.840 75	1.65 68	7.301 73
BANFF 5, SK numu flux, 1.0 - 1.5 GeV	0.049 026 1	6.906 32	6.839 44	0.238 04	7.005 67
BANFF 6, SK numu flux, 1.5 - 2.5 GeV	0.041 778 9	6.9436	6.951 86	0.059 37	6.968 38
BANFF 7, SK numu flux, 2.5 - 3.5 GeV	0.043 606 9	6.948 64	6.953 54	0.035 219	6.963 34
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BANFF 11, SK numubar flux, 0.0 - 0.7 GeV	0.073 717	6.955 31	6.955 77	0.003 271 8	6.956 68
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BANFF 23, SK nuebar flux, 0.0 - 2.5 GeV	0.053 829 3	6.954 56	6.955 51	0.006 886 7	6.957 43
BANFF 24, SK nuebar flux, 2.5 - 30.0 GeV	0.114 234	6.955 64	6.955 88	0.001 680 7	6.956 34
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h	0.189 443	6.886 67	6.932 88	0.332 23	7.025 32
BANFF; CA5 RES	0.059 470 4	5.897 54	6.587 37	5.5266	8.156 71
BANFF; Norm; BgRES Isospin 1/2	0.189 77	6.570 82	6.792 51	2.8549	7.657 04
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BANFF; Ma RES	0.045 292 1	6.298 12	6.717 13	3.2788	7.608 06
BANFF; Fermi Momentum	0.071 668 1	6.954 02	6.9574	-0.064 517	6.941 42
BANFF; Shape; CC 0th	0.186 63	6.850 23	6.920 74	0.506 84	7.061 76
BANFF; Shape; CC 0th	0.274 896	6.832 07	6.914 69	0.593 85	7.079 92
BANFF; Norm; NC 0th	0.3	6.7486	6.886 86	7.025 12	7.163 39
BANFF; Norm; ν_e To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.612 77	6.412 77	6.774 92	2.6032	7.499 22
BANFF; Norm; ν_e To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.028 284 3	6.896 95	6.896 95	0.848 76	7.133 11
BANFF; Norm; ν_e To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	1	6.896 95	6.896 95	0.848 76	7.133 11
BANFF; Norm; $\bar{\nu}_e$ To $\bar{\nu}_\mu$	0.028 284 3	6.954 02	6.955 54	0.006 573 9	6.957 37
BANFF; Norm; 2p2hBar	0.201 069	6.954 91	6.956	0.005 649 2	6.957 17
BANFF; BeRPA A	0.058 826 7	6.935 41	6.949 13	0.098 65	6.976 58
BANFF; BeRPA B	0.117 434	6.9248	6.9456	0.149 46	6.987 18
BANFF; BeRPA D	0.127 806	6.923 23	6.945 07	0.156 99	6.988 76
BANFF; BeRPA E	0.354 515	6.953 69	6.955 06	0.013 489	6.958 81
BANFF; Shape; 2p2h	0.338 124	6.909 88	6.932 94	0.374 12	7.014 03
BANFF; Norm; 2p2h; C to O	0.161 427	6.862 34	6.924 78	0.4488	7.049 65
SKDet + FSI/SI 0; $E_{\nu\text{osc}}$ (0.30 - 0.80 GeV; Osc. ν_e CC (<i>MultiRc</i>); MultiRing	0.248 951	4.116 61	6.009 53	13.606	9.795 38
SKDet + FSI/SI 1; $E_{\nu\text{osc}}$ (0.80 - 1.25 GeV; Osc. ν_e CC (<i>MultiRc</i>); MultiRing	0.214 994	5.896 92	6.597 53	15.46	8.031 39
SKDet + FSI/SI 2; $E_{\nu\text{osc}}$ (0.30 - 0.80 GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC (<i>MultiRc</i>); MultiRing	0.507 403	6.789 88	6.900 62	0.796 04	7.122 11
SKDet + FSI/SI 3; $E_{\nu\text{osc}}$ (0.80 - 1.25 GeV; $\nu_\mu/\bar{\nu}_\mu$ CC (<i>MultiRc</i>); MultiRing	0.236 118	6.9201	6.944 03	0.172 03	6.991 89
SKDet + FSI/SI 4; $E_{\nu\text{osc}}$ (0.30 - 0.80 GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC (<i>MultiRc</i>); MultiRing	0.244 289	6.6652	6.859 06	1.3935	7.246 78
SKDet + FSI/SI 5; $E_{\nu\text{osc}}$ (0.80 - 1.25 GeV; $\nu_e/\bar{\nu}_e$ CC (<i>MultiRc</i>); MultiRing	0.234 55	6.6574	6.826 46	1.8621	7.344 58
SKDet + FSI/SI 6; $E_{\nu\text{osc}}$ (0.30 - 0.80 GeV; all NC (<i>MultiRc</i>); MultiRing	0.983 178	6.165 29	6.692 42	3.7891	7.7467
SKDet + FSI/SI 7; $E_{\nu\text{osc}}$ (0.80 - 1.25 GeV; all NC (<i>MultiRc</i>); MultiRing	0.523 609	6.783 29	6.898 43	0.275 58	7.128 69
SK energy scale	0.024	6.955 99	6.955 99	0	6.955 99
		$-1.276 85 \times 10^{-14}$	$-1.276 85 \times 10^{-14}$	2.769×10^{-14}	$1.276 85 \times 10^{-14}$

Table B.10: $\pm 1\sigma$ and $\pm 3\sigma$ effect of the systematic parameters on the total number of e -like Super-K events with one decay electron with Run 1-8 POT for neutrino mode post-BANFF Asimov data set A. Only the systematic parameters which affect this sample are shown.

Appendix C

Marginalisation studies

The increase in sensitivity to δ_{CP} provided by a doubling of FHC statistics in Run 1-8 relative to Run 1-7c has made sampling of the tails of oscillation parameters (particularly $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$) more significant for 1D fits. In previous analyses all fits were performed with 10K marginalisation toys, but in the present analysis this is no longer sufficient to ensure that fits return consistent results for independent sets of marginalisation toys. One can see the nature of the problem in fig. C.1, in which five independent sets of 10K marginalisation toys were fitted under the Asimov A oscillation parameter hypothesis without the reactor constraint; a large spread in $\Delta\chi^2$ contours is evident.

To determine a sufficient number of marginalisation toys to use checks of fit stability were carried out for different numbers of marginalisation toys. Figures C.2 to C.3 show the $\Delta\chi^2$ contours for the case of 40K and 80K marginalisation toys respectively. These studies indicate that good agreement among fits is achieved for 80K marginalisation toys 40k toys was found to be sufficient in the with reactor case due to the smaller marginalisation range for $\sin^2 \theta_{13}$).

Further to the Asimov-based marginalisation studies, the stronger constraint seen in the data fits prompted a check of the data fit stability. Figures C.4 to C.4 show the result of fitting δ_{CP} with the reactor constraint for both normal and inverted hierarchy. Variations of $\Delta\chi^2 \sim 1$ are evident around the maximum in the region of $\delta_{CP} \sim \pi/2$, but that good stability is maintained in the preferred region and at the values of $\delta_{CP} = 0$ and π .

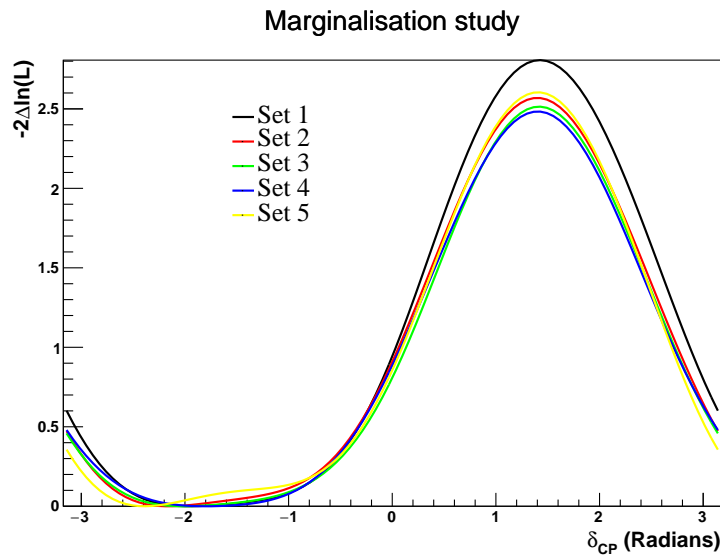


Figure C.1: Asimov A δ_{CP} normal hierarchy contours without reactor constraint for independent sets of 10K marginalisation toys

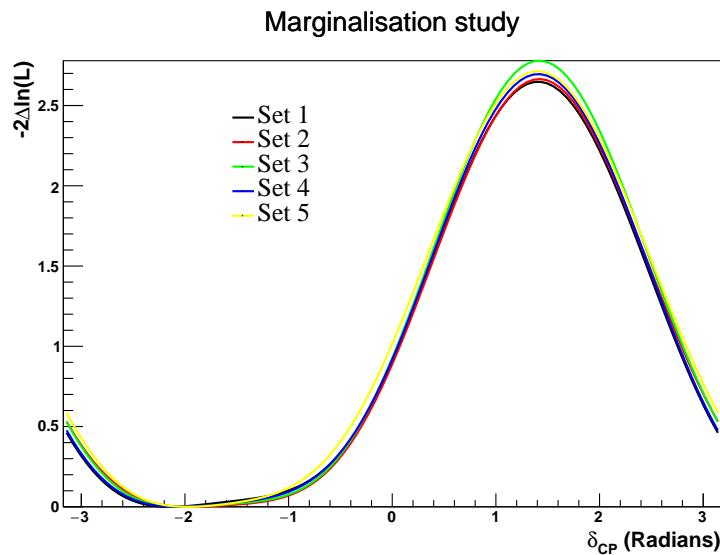


Figure C.2: Asimov A δ_{CP} normal hierarchy contours without reactor constraint for independent sets of 40K marginalisation toys

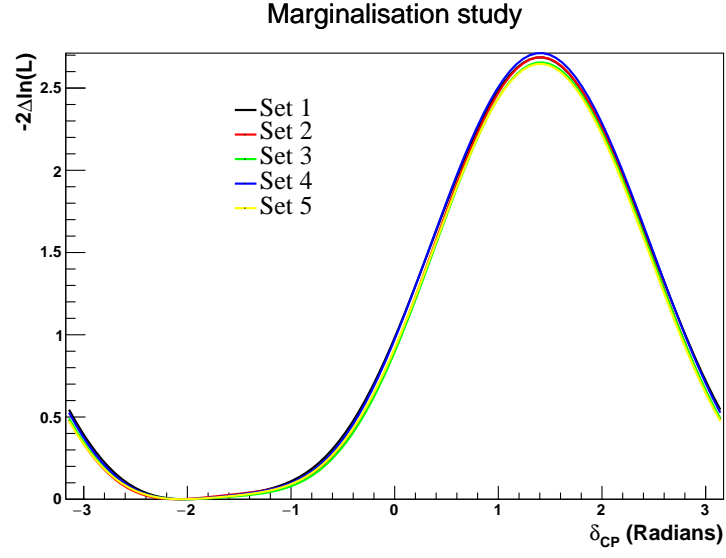


Figure C.3: Asimov A δ_{CP} normal hierarchy contours without reactor constraint for independent sets of 80K marginalisation toys

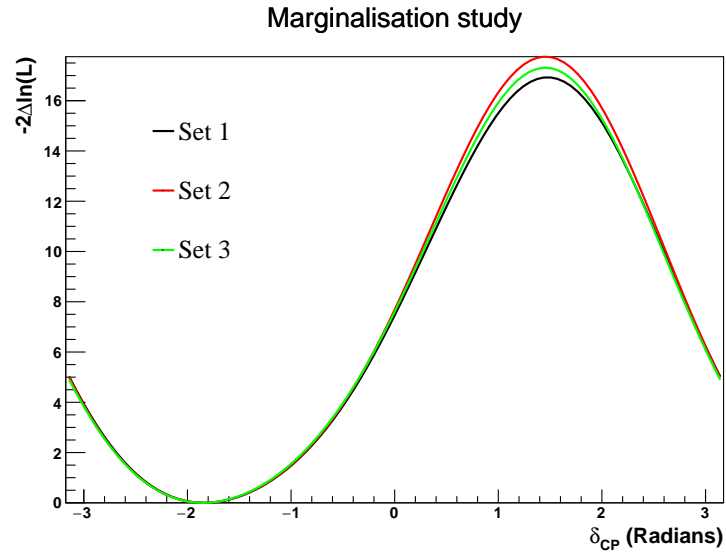


Figure C.4: Data fit of δ_{CP} normal hierarchy contours with reactor constraint for independent sets of 40K marginalisation toys

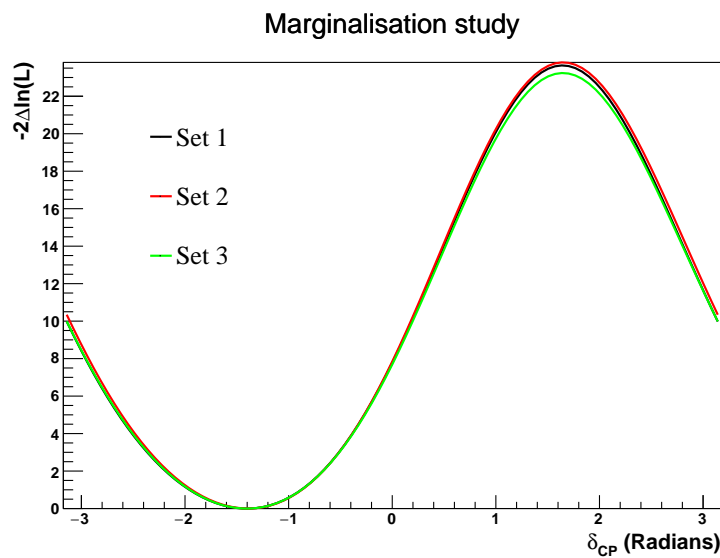


Figure C.5: Data fit of δ_{CP} inverted hierarchy contours with reactor constraint for independent sets of 40K marginalisation toys

Appendix D

Effect of systematic errors on Super-K predictions

	Pre-BANFF			Post-BANFF		
Group	Mean	1σ	%	Mean	1σ	%
SK Detector	-	-	-	269.11	5.01	1.86
SK FSI+SI+PN	-	-	-	268.38	5.91	2.20
Flux+Xsec constrained	250.34	35.35	14.12	266.68	8.60	3.22
$\sigma(\nu_e)/\sigma(\bar{\nu}_e)$	-	-	-	268.42	0.00	0.00
NC1 γ	-	-	-	268.42	0.00	0.00
NC Other	-	-	-	268.42	0.67	0.25
Osc	-	-	-	268.42	0.09	0.04
All	250.95	35.71	14.23	267.78	11.79	4.40
All with osc	250.95	35.71	14.23	267.78	11.79	4.40

Table D.1: Average event rate and RMS error broken down by systematic parameter group for μ -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for neutrino mode.

	Pre-BANFF			Post-BANFF		
Group	Mean	1σ	%	Mean	1σ	%
SK Detector	-	-	-	64.41	0.97	1.51
SK FSI+SI+PN	-	-	-	64.27	1.27	1.98
Flux+Xsec constrained	62.09	7.18	11.56	63.97	1.74	2.72
$\sigma(\nu_e)/\sigma(\bar{\nu}_e)$	-	-	-	64.28	0.00	0.00
NC1 γ	-	-	-	64.28	0.00	0.00
NC Other	-	-	-	64.28	0.16	0.25
Osc	-	-	-	64.28	0.02	0.03
All	62.18	7.31	11.76	64.17	2.41	3.76
All with osc	62.18	7.31	11.76	64.17	2.41	3.76

Table D.2: Average event rate and RMS error broken down by systematic parameter group for μ -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for antineutrino mode.

	Pre-BANFF			Post-BANFF		
Group	Mean	1 σ	%	Mean	1 σ	%
SK Detector	-	-	-	73.64	2.23	3.03
SK FSI+SI+PN	-	-	-	73.46	2.21	3.01
Flux+Xsec constrained	65.47	9.80	14.97	72.57	2.34	3.22
$\sigma(\nu_e)/\sigma(\bar{\nu}_e)$	-	-	-	73.46	1.93	2.63
NC1 γ	-	-	-	73.76	0.80	1.08
NC Other	-	-	-	73.48	0.11	0.14
Osc	-	-	-	73.49	2.84	3.86
All	65.91	10.26	15.56	73.12	4.46	6.10
All with osc	65.92	10.57	16.03	73.14	5.32	7.27

Table D.3: Average event rate and RMS error broken down by systematic parameter group for e -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for neutrino mode.

	Pre-BANFF			Post-BANFF		
Group	Mean	1 σ	%	Mean	1 σ	%
SK Detector	-	-	-	7.94	0.33	4.22
SK FSI+SI+PN	-	-	-	7.91	0.18	2.31
Flux+Xsec constrained	7.63	0.91	11.94	7.84	0.23	2.88
$\sigma(\nu_e)/\sigma(\bar{\nu}_e)$	-	-	-	7.91	0.12	1.46
NC1 γ	-	-	-	7.98	0.21	2.59
NC Other	-	-	-	7.91	0.03	0.33
Osc	-	-	-	7.91	0.29	3.60
All	7.74	1.03	13.32	7.95	0.52	6.51
All with osc	7.74	1.07	13.79	7.96	0.59	7.44

Table D.4: Average event rate and RMS error broken down by systematic parameter group for e -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for antineutrino mode.

Group	Pre-BANFF			Post-BANFF		
	Mean	1σ	%	Mean	1σ	%
SK Detector	-	-	-	7.02	1.17	16.69
SK FSI+SI+PN	-	-	-	6.92	0.79	11.43
Flux+Xsec constrained	7.71	0.91	11.79	6.91	0.28	4.05
$\sigma(\nu_e)/\sigma(\bar{\nu}_e)$	-	-	-	6.92	0.18	2.62
NC1 γ	-	-	-	6.93	0.02	0.33
NC Other	-	-	-	6.92	0.07	0.98
Osc	-	-	-	6.92	0.26	3.78
All	7.79	1.85	23.71	7.00	1.47	20.94
All with osc	7.79	1.87	24.05	7.00	1.49	21.24

Table D.5: Average event rate and RMS error broken down by systematic parameter group for ν_e CC1 π^+ -like Super-K events with Run 1-8 POT for neutrino mode.

Appendix E

Effect of ν_e CC1 π^+ sample on constraint strength

Section 5.7 showed stronger than expected constraints from data for δ_{CP} , appearance and disappearance fits. To determine a potential explanation for this we chose to run an additional fit without the ν_e CC1 π^+ sample, hereafter referred to as the 4-sample fit, with the fit using all samples being referred to as the 5-sample fit. It should be noted that the full 5-sample marginalisation toys were used for all fits, rather than using 4-sample marginalisation toys for the 4-sample fit. This means that the correlations among samples for the 4-sample fit are not handled correctly, but the effect from this is expected to be small.

Figure E.1 shows comparisons of the aforementioned fits for normal hierarchy. It can be seen that the constraint on the δ_{CP} and appearance fits is weakened in the absence of the ν_e CC1 π^+ sample, while the disappearance contour is unaffected.

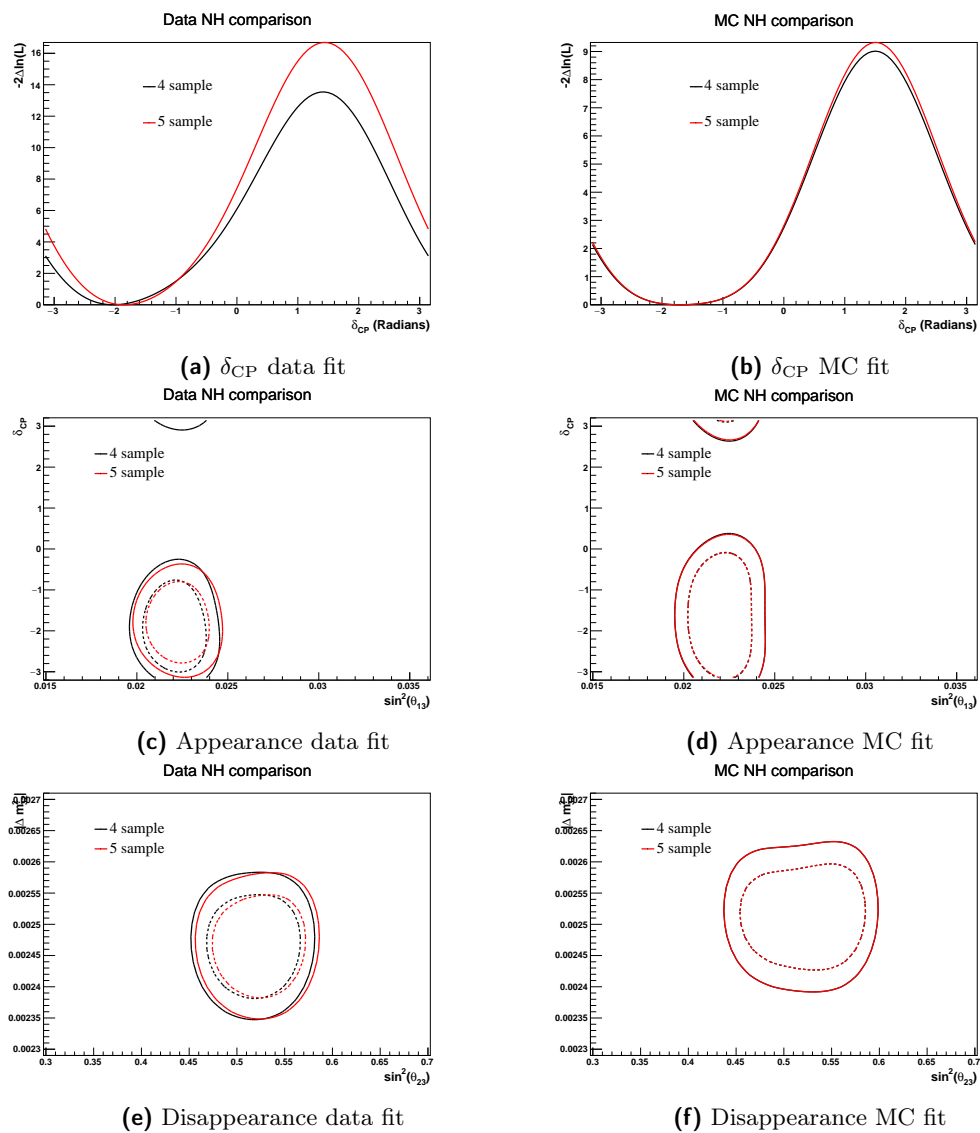


Figure E.1: Fits of data and the Asimov A data set with four and five samples respectively.

Appendix F

Matter effects and crust density

To check the effect of the error on the average crust density [216] a number of fits of δ_{CP} were performed varying this value. Figures F.1 to F.2 show the effect of varying the average crust density between 2.5, 2.6 and 2.7 g cm⁻³ in normal and inverted hierarchy respectively. 1×10^4 marginalisation toys were generated with the average crust density fixed at the value of 2.6 g cm⁻³, whilst fits were performed using the Asimov A data set where the crust density was varied using the aforementioned values. The effect on the fit of δ_{CP} can be seen to be small, supporting the use of a fixed value for the average crust density.

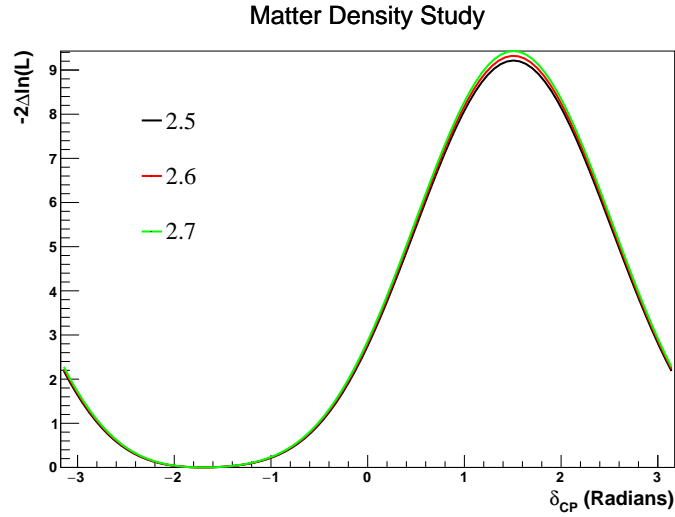


Figure F.1: Fits of δ_{CP} using the Asimov A data set whilst varying the average crust density in normal hierarchy for 10K marginalisation toys.

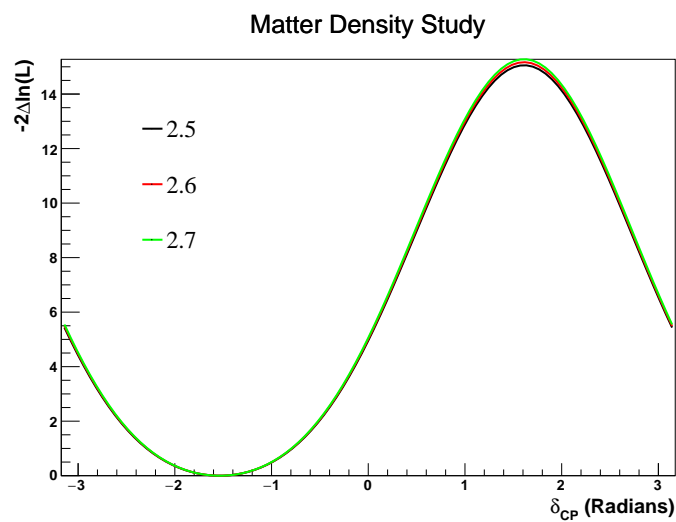


Figure F.2: Fits of δ_{CP} using the Asimov A data set whilst varying the average crust density in inverted hierarchy for 10K marginalisation toys.

Appendix G

Asimov B δ_{CP} /mass-hierarchy degeneracy

In section 5.6.1 it was noted that Asimov B fits are affected by a lack of sensitivity to distinguish $\delta_{CP} = 0$ and $\delta_{CP} = \pi$, for example, the fit of δ_{CP} shown in fig. 5.22 shows a best-fit point shifted away from the true value. fig. G.1 shows normalised one-ring e -like spectra for Asimov data set B with mass hierarchy and δ_{CP} varied to demonstrate the problem. It is clear from the plots that the spectrum for $\delta_{CP} = 0$ in normal hierarchy is similar in shape to the spectrum for $\delta_{CP} = \pi$ in inverted hierarchy and vice versa.

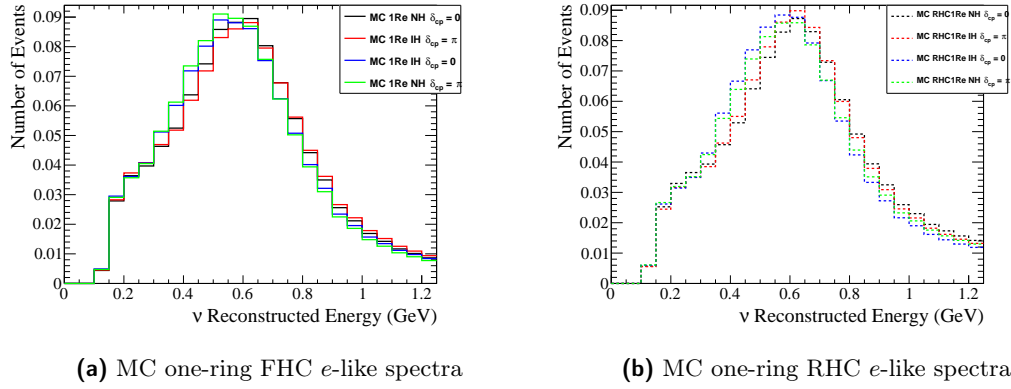


Figure G.1: Normalised spectra for one-ring e -like samples showing the effect of changing the mass hierarchy and true value of δ_{CP} for the Asimov B data set.

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